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ECCC DIAMOND WARRIOR SCHOLARS - These members of the defending state champion East Central Community College baseball team were recently recognized for achieving a 3.0 grade point average or above for the 1998 fall semester. Pictured are (first row, from left) Spence Latimer and Josh Hardy, both of Philadelphia; Chad Champion, Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Justin Chaney, Little Rock; Chris Weems, Newton; and Brodie Meadows, Brandon; (second row, fromleft) Brent Page, Philadelphia; Amos Thames, Newton; Linzy Gressett, Carthage; Joey Allen, Junction City, Ark.; Don Nance, Philadelphia; Jayeson McDonald, Tuscaloosa; Lee Martin, Lake; and Ken Barden, Madison; and (third row, from left) Justin Webb, Philadelphia; Dennis McDill, Madden; Jason Willis and Bo Burkes, both of Philadelphia; Allen Buckley, Brandon; and Patrick Ferris, Clinton. the Diamond Warriors, led by head coach Jamie Clark and assistant Neal Holliman, begin season action by traveling to Central Alabama in Alexander City for a 2 p.m. contest on Saturday, February 13. (EC Photo)

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ECCC BASEBALL CO-CAPTAINS - Selected to serve as co-captains of the defending state champion East Central Community College baseball team during the 1999 campaign are (from left) infielder Justin Chaney of Newton county High School, pitcher Jason Willis of Neshoba Central and catcher Brodie Meadows of Brandon. Chaney, who started 19 games last season at second or third base hit .292 with 14 RBI's and is considered one of the most improved players on this year's squad. Willis was selected Most Valuable Player in the South Division during the 1998 campaign, after posting a 9-3 record on the mound and hitting 13 home runs. he was drafted inthe 24th round by the New York Yankees and has signed with the University of Mississippi for the 2000 season. Meadows, who returns as starting catcher, batted .328 with five home runs last year and is considered one of the top catchers in the juco league. The standout student-athletes helped lead the 1998 Diamond Warriors to their first state championship and an overall record of 32 wins and 22 losses. East Central, led by head coach Jamie Clark and assistant Neal Holliman, begins season action by traveling to Central Alabama in Alexander City for a 2 p.m. contest on Saturday, February 13. (EC Photo)

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ECCC DIAMOND GIRLS - These students will serve as Diamond Girls during the 1999 baseball season at East Central Community College in Decatur. Pictured are (first row, from left) Laura Ming, Louisville; Courtney Wilcher, Edinburg; Lori Darsey, Newton County Academy; Jenny Bounds, Scott Central; Jennifer Guyse, Newton and Ginger Moore, Noxapater; (second row, from left) Candi Butler, Danna Dye and Heather Warren, all of Morton; Marcie Wall, Scott Central; Jessice Guyse, Newton; Lisa Price, Leake Academy; and Bridgette Stamper, Newton County; (third row, from left) Allison Bailey, Newton County; Katie Stokes, Nanih Waiya; Anunciata McElhenney, West Lauderdale; Carmen Germany, Union; Sonya Clearman, West Lauderdale; Heather Hamilton, Newton; and Whitney Jones, Union; and (back row, from left) Natalie Vowell, Winston Academy; Ashley McDill, Newton County; Corrine Chambliss and Amy Rogers, both of Louisville; and Amber Woods and Wendy Lingle both of Winston Academy. Lanette Hanna serves as sponsor. (EC Photo)

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Local faces...

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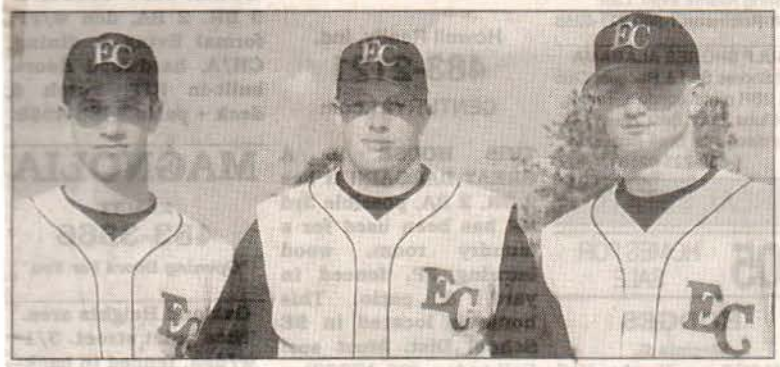
MOVING ON — After walking on as a member of the East Central Community College baseball team last year, Dennis McDill, left, was awarded a scholarship. McDill, of Edinburg, played his high school ball at Leake Academy. Looking on with McDill is ECCC assistant coach Neal Holliman. McDill is the son of Glenn and Barbara McDill.



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LOOKING TO SEASON — Three former prep standouts from Tuscaloosa, Ala., are expected to play a key role this spring with East Central Community College's baseball team. From left, Jayeson McDonald (Tuscaloosa Co. High School); Chad Champion (Holt High School); and Brad Farley (Hillcrest-Tuscaloosa High School).

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WEEK OF 2-8-99

East Central Diamond

Warriors set to open season

Because winning a state title with the 1998 Diamond Warriors was a very self-satisfying accomplishment for East Central Community College head baseball coach Jamie Clark, who prefers instead to talk about what capturing the College's first baseball championship means to the college as a whole.

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Clark, now in his 12th season at East Central , has not had a losing season since 1988. He's had four straight seasons with 30 or more wins, three straight years in the playoffs and back-to-back years in the state finals. But the veteran coach said the upcoming season is a crucial indicator of the program's success.

"This is a big year for us, simply because people will be looking at us more than in the past. So for us, the question is, will we be able to take the next step and be competitive for a state title this year or will we slip a notch and just be an average program?"

Clark realizes he needs to replace several key players from last year's 32-22 squad who have since moved on to compete at the senior college level. Among those former standouts are Dan Gressett of Lake, and Chris Tullos of Union, and slugger Greg Wood of Newton County, all now at the University of West Alabama.

But Clark said this year's squad, which features10 sophomores and 17 freshmen, is also loaded with talent and the desire to win. Obviously the top returnee is pitcher/first baseman Jason Willis of Neshoba Central. Willis posted a 9-3 mark on the mound last season, in addition to his .331 batting average and 13 home runs. Willis was selected All-Region 23, All-State and the South division's most valuable player. He was drafted in the 24th round by the New York Yankees and has signed a national letter of intent with the University of Mississippi.

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Also expected to have another standout season is Brodie Meadows of Brandon, who Cark said is probably the top rated catcher in the division."Brodie is stronger than last year and again should provide solid play behind the plate."

In assessing the 1999 squad, Clark said," We are more athletic, I'm not sure about how powerful we are with our bats, but we ail be more aggressive on the bases. We have a lot of bright spots, including the addition of many young athletic infielders. But it al comes down to pitching, and someone's got to step up and beat teams like Gulf Coast, Hinds, Jones, etc., on the road if we are going to be successful. Time will tell who those guys will be."

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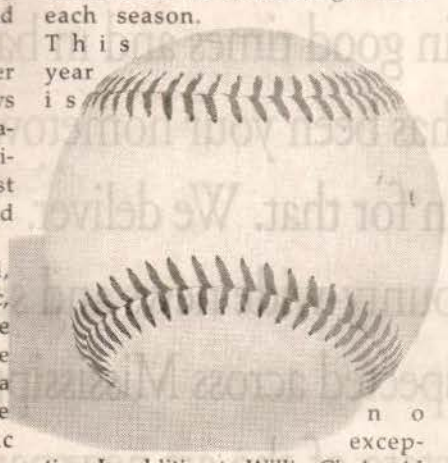

This year is no exception. In addition to Willis, Clark said freshman Allen Buckley of Brandon should have an "outstanding career" at East Central. Clark said Buckley "throws very hard and has a really good curve."

Clark said another key member of the pitching staff, Ken Gregory of Oak Grove, La., recently had surgery and will miss the entire season. Everyone else is at 100% and the recent warm weather has resulted in many days outside on the practice field. "Fortunately at this point, we are not dealing wit sore arms, legs, etc. because of the excellent weather condition. Everyone is eager to begin the season, Clark said.

Clark will learn more about the 1999 version of East Central Community College baseball when the Diamond Warriors face Central Alabama in a three-game series in Alexander City.A 2 p.m. single contest is scheduled saturday, with double header action set to begin at 1 p.m. Sunday. East Central begins home action on Wednesday, February 17 against Holmes Community College. The single contest gets underway at 1 p.m. at Chris Gay IV Memorial Field.

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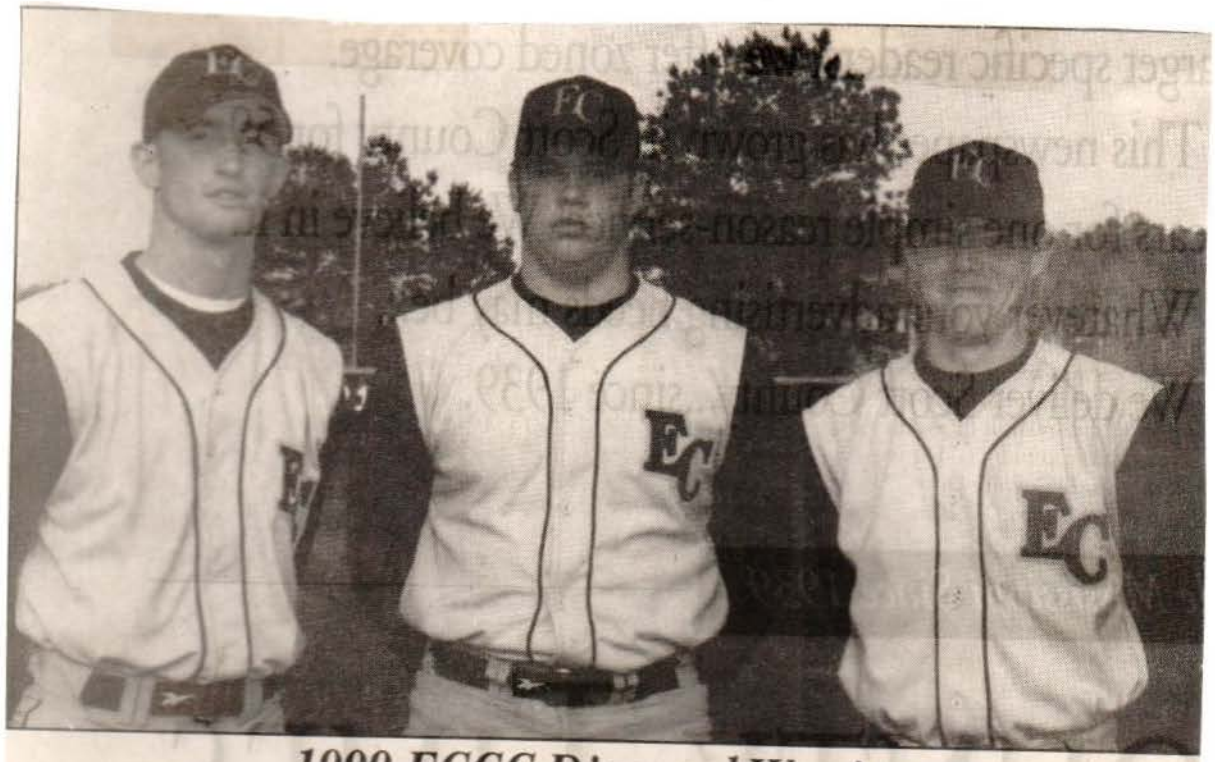

1999 ECCC Diamond Warriors

Scott County student athletes who are members of the defending state champion East Central Community College baseball team include(from left) outfielder Lee Martin of Lake, catcher Michael Shumaker of Forest and shortstop Charlie Welch of Morton. The Diamond Warriors begin season play at 2 p.m. Saturday, February 13 with a single contest against Central Alabama in Alexander City. East Central starts home action at 1 p.m. Wednesday, February 17 in a single contest against Holmes Community College.(Photo courtesy of ECCC)

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WEEK OF 2-15-99

ECCC Diamond Warriors Notch First Season Victory

A fifth-inning, bases-loaded double by sophomore Chad Champion of Holt, Ala., broke open a 5-5 tie and gave East Central Community College its first season victory over the weekend, an 8-5 decision over homesteading Central Alabama in Alexander City. The nondivision win came in the first game of a Sunday afternoon double-header and followed a season-opening loss to the same squad on Saturday.

Sophomore pitcher Joey Allen of Junction City, Ark., was credited with the win, as he fanned four, walked one and allowed three hits over four innings.

The defending state champions were outscored 10-0 inthe second game. Champion and freshman Amos Thames of Newton shared ptiching duties.

East Central began the three-game series by falling 6-1 to the nationally ranked Trojans, the defending Region 22 champions. Sophomore hurler Jason Willis of Neshoba Central fanned seven and allowed three hits before being relieved after three innings of work.

East Central, 1-2, begins home action against Holmes Community College, 2, 1, in a single contest scheduled at 1 p.m. Wednesday, February 17 at Chris Gay IV Memorial Field on the Decatur campus.

Activities for Feb. 16 - 21 at ECCC

Wed., Feb. 17 MACJC South State Tournament, Ellisville
ECCC Lady Warriors vs. Co-Lin/MS Gulf C. Winner - 2 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 17- Baseball
ECCC Diamond Warriors vs. Holmes At Decatur - 1 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 18
Fellowship of Christian Athletes Rally - Huff Auditorium
7 p.m. , Dr. Danny Lanier speaker
Friday, Feb. 19
District Band Clinic - Vickers Fine Arts Center & Huff Aud.
Saturday, Feb. 20 - Baseball
ECCC Diamond Warriors vs. NW MS Community College
1 p.m. - Double-header - Chris Gay IV Memorial Field
ECCC Band Clinic - Huff Auditorium & Vickers Fine Arts
All Day
Sunday, Feb. 21 - Baseball
ECCC Diamond Warriors vs. Calhoun Community College

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WEEK OF 2-15-99

ECCC Diamond Warriors

Ready to defend their 1998 state title are members of this year's East central community college baseball team who include (first row, from left)second baseman Spence Latimer and shortstop Brent Page, both of Philadelphia; catcher Brodie Meadows,Brandon; Shortstop Chuck Welch, Morton; Third baseman Jud Sanborn, Noxapater; catcher Ken Barden, Madison; and second baseman Josh Hardy, Philadelphia. (second row, from left) outfielder Lee Martin, Lake; third baseman/outfielder Chris Weems , Newton; second baseman Justin Chaney, Little Rock; pitcher Amos Thames, Newton; catcher/outfielder Brad Farley, Tuscaloosa, Ala.; pitcher Danny Rushing, Edinburg; and outfielder/pitcher Jayeson McDonald, Tuscaloosa; (third row, from left) first baseman/outfielder Justin Webb and pitcher/first baseman Jason Willis, both of Philadelphia; Pitcher Wade Merchant, Leesville, La.; first baseman/pitcher Bo Burkes, Philadelphia;pitcher Allen Buckley, Brandon; and pitcher Dennis McDill, Philadelphia; and (fourth row, from left) outfielder/pitcher Patrick Ferris, Clinton; outfielder/pitcher Chad Champion, Tuscaloosa; outfielder/pitcher Joey Allen, Junction City, Ark.; outfielder Linzey Gressett, Carthage; and catcher Michael Shumaker, Forest. The Diamond Warriors are coached by Jamie Clark(head) and Neal Holliman(assistant).(Photo courtsey ECCC)

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WEEK OF 2-22-99

ECCC Diamond Warriors Ready to Defend State Title

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Among those former standouts include pitchers Dan Gressett of Lake and Chris Tullos of Union, and slugger Greg Wood of Newton County, all now at the University of West Alabama; and infielders Ron Perkins of Louisville and Brian Hardy of Philadelphia, both at Belhaven. Gressett was 9-2 last season; Tullos, 2-2 with five saves; and Wood set a school record with 17 home runs last season and 26 career dingers.

But Clark said this year's squad, which features 10 sophomores and 17 freshmen, is also loaded with talent and the desire to win. Obviously the top returnee is pitcher/first baseman Jason Willis of Neshoba Central. Willis posted a 9-3 mark on the mound last season, in addition to his .331 batting average and 13 home runs. Willis was selected All Region 23, All-State and the South Division's most valuable player. He was drafted in the 24th round by the New York Yankees and has signed a national letter of intent with the University of Mississippi.

Clark said Willis has "improved his conditioning and strength, and should have another great year." At 6-4, 206 pounds, Willis has no problem throwing 90 plus mile-an-hour fast balls and complements that strength with a good breaking ball, Clark added. "Although he is big and strong, Willis delivers his heat with a smooth motion which makes it even more difficult to hit. In addition to getting stronger physically, Willis is also tougher mentally and has become an even greater competitor," Clark said.

Also expected to have another standout season is Brodie Meadows of Brandon, who Clark said is probably the top rated catcher 'in the division. "Brodie is stronger than last year and again should provide solid play behind the plate."

Clark said returning outfielder/pitcher Chad Champion of Holt, Alabama who batted third in the lineup last season, has "looked good swinging the bat and will again be used on the mound."

Second baseman Justin Chaney of Newton County, who split time as a starter last year, is also expected to have a good year. Chaney also serves as team co-captain with Champion and Meadows.

First baseman/pitcher Bo Burkes of Neshoba Central will also play key roles on this year's squad. Clark said Burkes, who suffered a season-ending ankle injury early last year, is probably the "most improved player" this year and has been one of the best hitters this spring. He is also "much improved" on the mound.

Clark said overall pitching depth should be improved from last year. "Even though we lost Gressett, we've added som guys who have reall improved from last year and w expect contributions from ther on the mound."

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EC beats Holmes, EMCC

The Diamond Warriors of East Central Community College took wins over Holmes and East Mississippi in last week's baseball action, but fell short in the ninth inning to Faulkner State Sunday afternoon in Decatur.

The Warriors record stands at 4-5 on the young season.

EC captured a 12-4 win over Holmes in Goodman on Feb. 23. Allen Buckley (1-0) lasted five innings on the mound to get the win.

Brodie Meadows had a two-run single the first inning. The Warriors scored four runs in the second frame and Lee Martin added a three-run double in the fourth.

The Warriors hammered East Mississippi 15-5 on Thursday in Scooba. Jason Willis, Justin Webb, Patrick Ferriss, and Michael Shumaker each had a home run for EC.

Willis (1-1) was the winning pitcher with Danny Rushing, Dennis McDill, Joey Allen, and Chad Champion also seeing time on the mound.

Faulkner State of Bay Minette, Ala., escaped with a 9-8 win in Decatur Sunday when the Warriors gave up six runs in the top of the ninth inning.

Buckley was the starting pitcher while Rushing (0-1) took the loss.

Leading hitters included Meadows with a double and two singles and Willis with two singles.

Other sluggers included Martin, Ferriss, Justin Chaney, Bo Burkes, and Brent Page.

The Warriors are scheduled to host a pair of out-of-state teams in a split doubleheader today (Wednesday).

Lincoln Trail of Illinois provides the competition at 11:30 a.m. with the traditionally strong Dolphins of Delgado in New Orleans rolling in for a 4:30 p.m.

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WEEK OF 3/1/99

Diamond Warriors Rout Holmes and E. M.C.C.

The Diamond Warriors of East Central Community College took wins over Holmes and East Mississippi in action this past week, but fell short in the ninth inning to visiting Faulkner State Community College. The Warriors record stands at 4-5 on the young season.

East Central captured a 12-4 victory over Holmes in Goodman. Allen Buckley (1-0) of Brandon lasted five innings on the mound to receive the win for the Warriors.

Catcher Brodie Meadows of Brandon had a two-run base hit in the first inning for the Warriors. East Central added four runs in the second inning and outfielder Lee Martin of Lake lifted the Warriors in the fourth inning with a two-out double which scored three runs.

In action against East Mississippi Community College, the Warriors won 15-5 by the ten run grace rule. The Warriors totaled 18 hits for the day, with four Warriors hitting home runs for the first time this season. They included pitcher Jason Willis and first baseman/outfielder Justin Webb, both of Neshoba Central; outfielder Patrick Ferriss of Clinton and infielder/catcher Michael Shumaker of Forest.

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In action this week, the Warriors face single games Wednesday, March 3, against Lincoln Trail Community College at 11:30 a.m. and Delgado Community College at 4:30 p.m., at Chris Gay IV Memorial Field in Decatur. ECCC host Hinds in double-header action Saturday, March

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WEEK OF March 8, 1999

ECCC Diamond Warriors Pound Hinds in Division Win

East Central Community College earned its first division win in grand style over the weekend as the Diamond Warriors pounded visiting Hinds Community College by a 24-5 margin in the second game of a Saturday double-header. The lop-sided victory evened East Central's overall mark at 7-7 and division record at 1-1. East Central had fallen 7-2 to the Eagles earlier in the day.

After scoring just two runs in the first game against Hinds, the Diamond Warriors exploded for 20 runs on 16 hits in the second inning of the nightcap and cruised to the easy win.

Leading hitters for East Central during the record-breaking stanza were freshman centerfielder Lee Martin of Lake, who hit three singles; sophomore second baseman Justin Chaney of Newton County, who blasted a three-run homer; and freshman outfielder Patrick Ferriss of Clinton who added a solo shot. Chaney later added two singles; Ferris, a double and a single; and Martin, another single.

Other top sluggers included Brodie Meadows of Brandon, three singles; Chris Weems of Newton, a triple and a single; and Chad Champion of Holt, Alabama, two singles.

In the first contest, Jason Willis of Neshoba Central took the loss which evened his record at 2-2. Dennis McDill of Leake Academy and Jayeson McDonald of Tuscaloosa came on in relief.

Leading hitters for EC were Chaney, double and a single, and Willis, who added a single.

In three home games played earlier in the week, the Diamond Warriors fell 10-5 to Delgado Community College and posted a 1-0 win over Lincoln Trail Community College on March 3, and defeated nationally ranked and previously undefeated Itawamba Community College by an 8-3 margin on February 27.

In the loss to Delgado, EC hitters were Meadows and Champion, two hits each, and Chaney and Weems who both had RBI singles. McDonald started on the mound for the Warriors and was relieved by Danny Rushing of Edinburg and McDill.

Joey Allen of Junction City, Arkansas was the winning pitcher against Lincoln Trail, as he fanned six and allowed just five hits. Leading hitters for East Central were Brad Farley of Jackson, Meadows and Willis. Farley won the game with a two-out bunt which allowed Ferriss to score the game's only run. Meadows and Willis each slammed doubles that set up the one-run victory.

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WEEK OF 3-18-99

ECCC Warriors even their record at 7-7

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WEEK OF 3-15-99

ECCC Diamond Warriors Defeat Top Ranked Northwest

Sophomore slugger Chad Champion of Holt, Ark., knocked two home runs and freshman Patrick Ferriss of Clinton added a solo shot to lead East Central Community College to a 9-5 win over Northwest Mississippi Community College in the second game of a twin bill played March 12 in Senatobia.

The non-division victory improved the Diamond Warriors' overall mark to 8-10 while the homestanding Rangers fell to 15-4. Sophomore hurler Dennis McDill of Leake Academy picked up his first win following three innings of relief work. In addition to their round-trippers, Champion and Ferriss had singles each.

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WEEK OF 3-15-99

Y2K Workshop at ECCC March 24

The East Central Community College Small Business Development Center and the College's Skill Tech One Stop Career Center will host a free satellite seminar titled "Y2K: Minimizing Organizational Risk" from 1 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, March 24, on the Decatur campus. The seminar is a production of PBS -The Business Channel and will be hosted by Mike Eglan. Topics will include Assessing, Implementing and Executing a Y2I Triage Plan; Identifying New and Unexpected Obstacles; Developing Contingency Plans in Case of Y2K Failures; Understanding How to Limit Your Risk; and Knowing the Steps to Protect Yourself and Your organization against Y2K Litigation. For more information or to register contact Ronald Westbrook, SBDC Director, or Virgie Thames at 635-2111, ext. 296 or 297, by March 22. Seating limited to 120.

ECCC PITCHERS - Pitchers on the defending state champion 1999 East Central Community College baseball team are (kneeling from left) Jud Sanborn, Noxapater; Jayeson McDonald, Tuscaloosa (Ala.) County; Danny Rushing, Edingburg; Amos Thames, Newton; and Joey Allen, Junction City, Ark.; and (standing from left) Chad Champion, Holt, Ala.; Dennis McDill, Edingburg; Allen Buckley, Brandon; Bo Burkes, Neshoba Central; Wade Merchant, Hicks, La.; and Jason Willis, Neshoba Central. The Diamond Warriors are coached by Jamie Clark (head) and Neal Holliman. (EC photo)

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WEEK OF 3-15-99

ECCC hammers Holmes

The Diamond Warriors of East Central Community College took wins over Holmes and east Mississippi in action this past week, but fell short in the ninth inning to visiting Faulkner State Community College. The Warriors record stands at 4-5 on the young season.

East Central captured a 12-4 victory over Holmes in Goodman. Allen Buckley(1-0) of Brandon lasted five innings on the mound to receive the win for the Warriors.

Catcher Brodie Meadows of Brandon had a two-run base hit in the first inning for the Warriors. East Central added four runs in the second inning and outfielder Lee Martin of lake lifted the Warriors in the fourth inning with a two-out double which scored three runs.

In action against East Mississippi Community College, the Warriors won 15-5 by the ten run grace rule. The Warriors totaled 18 hits for the day, with four Warriors hitting home runs for the first time this season. They included pitcher Jason Willis and first baseman/outfielder Justin Webb of Clinton and infielder/catcher Michael Shumaker of Forest.

Willis(1-1) was the starting pitcher and received the win for the Warriors. He was followed on the mound by Danny Rushing of Edinburg, Dennis McDill of Leake Academy, Joey Allen of Junction City, Ark., and Chad Champion of Tuscaloosa, Ala.

The Warriors lost a 9-8 decision Sunday afternoon in Decatur when Faulkner State recorded six runs in the ninth inning. Buckley was the starting pitcher. He was followed by Rushing(0-1), who took the loss for the Warriors.

Leading hitters included Meadows, who had a double and two singles, and Willis with two singles. Other sluggers included infielder Justin Chaney of Newton County, Lee Martin of Lake, Bo Burkes of Neshoba Central, Ferris, and shortstop Brent Page of Neshoba Central.

In action this week, the Warrior face single games Wednesday, March 3, against Lincoln Trail Community College at 11:30 a.m. and Delgado Community College at 4:30 p.m., at Chris Guy Field in Decatur. ECCC hosts Hinds in double-header action Saturday, March 6, at 1 p.m

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WEEK OF 3/22/99

East Central defeats top ranked Northwest 9-5

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WEEK OF 3-29-99

ECCC Diamond Warriors are winners

Doubleheader sweeps of South Division foes Copiah-Lincoln and Pearl River community colleges put the defending state champion East Central Community College Diamond Warriors back into the playoff chase behind front-runner Gulf Coast.

East Central, 15-16 overall but 7-3 in division competition, is one game behind the league-leading Bulldogs who sport an 8-2 mark to begin this week's action. The top two squads from the North and South divisions qualify for the state tournament.

In action against Co-Lin on Saturday, March 27, the Diamond Warriors claimed a 9-3 win in the first game and followed with a 9-5 decision in the nightcap.

Sophomore hurler Jason Willis (4-3) got the win in game one, as the former Neshoba Central High School standout fanned six and allowed four hits over five innings. Sophomore Danny Rushing of Edinburg completed the division matchup by posting three strikeouts and allowing three hits during his two innings of work.

Leading hitters for East Central were freshman Brent Page of Neshoba Central, who blasted a three-run homer and added a single; sophomore Joey Allen of Junction City, Ark., triple and single; Willis, two doubles and two singles; sophomore Brodie Meadows of Brandon, double and single; and sophomore Justin Chaney of Newton County and freshmen Patrick Ferriss of Clinton, Justin Webb of Neshoba Centarl and Judd Sanborn of Noxapater, singles each.

In game two, Rushing (1-1) was credited with a win as he walked one and allowed three hits over one and a third innings. Also on the mound were freshmen Allen Buckley of Brandon, who fanned five, walked two and allowed four hits over four and a third innings, and sophomore Chad Champion of Holt, Ala., who fanned one, walked one and allowed no hits during one and a third innings.

Webb was the leading slugger for East Central, as his grand slam in the sixth put the game out of reach for the homestanding Wolves.

East Central took a pair of 2-1 decisions over visiting Pearl River on Wednesday, March 24.

Allen went the distance in game one as he struck out five, walked one and allowed just four hits. Rushing and Champion shared pitching duties in the night cap. Rushing went four innings, allowing three hits and one walk. He fanned three. Champion pitched in relief and fanned five, walked one and allowed just one hit over three innings.

The Diamond Warriors also posted a nondivision 14-13 win over visiting Jackson State Community College (TN) on Thursday, March 25, and fell 9-7 to homestanding Mississippi Delta on Sunday, March 28. East Central won the shootout with JSU when sophomore Linzy Gressett of Carthage knocked in the winning run in the 13th inning. Sanborn (1-0) was the winning pitcher. Freshman Amos Thames (0-3) took the loss against Delta. Top hitters for EC were Ferriss, home run and two singles; and Willis and Champion, two singles each.

Games scheduled this week include road games with Southwest (March 30) and Itawamba (April 2). The Diamond Warriors travel to Hinds on April 6.

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WEEK OF 3-29-99

East Cent. slugs way into playoff

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East Central, 7-3 in division play, is one game out of first with the top two teams qualifing for the state tourney.

March 27, the Diamond Warriors claimed a 9-3 first-game win, and a 9-5 second-game victory over Co-Lin.

Jason Willis got the game one win with six strikeouts and allowed four hits over five innings.

Danny Rushing of Edinburg came on in relief, allowing three hits with three strikeouts in two innings' work.

Leading hitters for EC were Brent Page with a three-run homer and a single; Joey Allen with a triple; Willis, two doubles; and Brodie Meadows, a double.

In game two, Rushing got the win. Allen Buckley and Chad Champion also got time on the mound.

Justin Webb hit a grand slam in the sixth to put the game out of reach.

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Rushing and Champion shared pitching duties in the second game. Rushing went four innings, allowing three hits and one walk with three strikeouts. Champion relieved, allowing one hit with five strikeouts over three innings.

The Diamond Warriors also posted a 13 inning, 14-13 win over Jackson St. CC, March 25, when Linzy Gresset of Carthage drove in the winning run.

On March 28, EC dropped a 9-7 decision to Miss. Delta.

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Contacts for the department are Carl Wilson, Terry Dixon, Ricky Lewis and Valarie Sam.

Deadline for registration has yet to be set.

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WEEK OF 4-5-99

Willis no-hits Southwest

By MARTY STAMPER
Democrat Sports Editor

If you're not going to win them all, make sure you win the ones that count.

That seems to be the pattern the East Central Community College baseball team is following this spring.

The Warriors swept a South Division doubleheader at Southwest to improve to 9-3 in league play. Gulf Coast leads at 10-2. Also in the playoff hunt are Jones (8-6), Copiah-Lincoln (7-5), and Hinds (6-8).

Jason Willis

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• **ECCC 11-8, Southwest 0-0:** The Warriors improved their playoff hopes with the March 30 sweep at Summit.

Pitching was the key as the Warriors allowed no runs to the Bears in 13 innings.

Jason Willis (5-3) tossed a no-hitter in the opener. Willis struck out 10 and walked only one. The shutout was the fourth in Willis' career, setting a school record for the Neshoba Central grad. The old record of three belonged to Jason Wilkins.

Chad Champion and Brodie Meadows both had a double and two singles to lead EC's 13-hit attack. Joey Allen had a single and a double while Justin Chaney had a pair of singles.

Southwest also committed six errors. EC scored in each inning of the six-inning run-rule contest.

Champion (2-1) tossed a two-hit shutout in the nightcap. The Holt, Ala., native struck out 12 and walked only two. Through 25 innings, Champion has a 0.36 ERA to lead Region 23.

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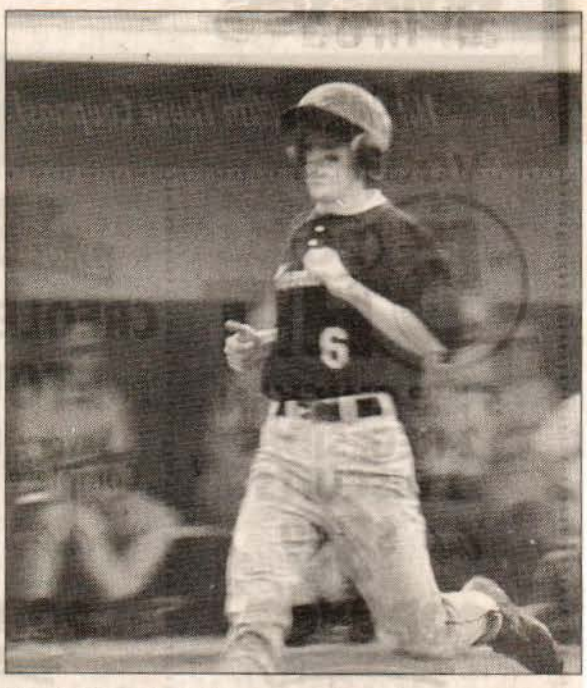
The doubleheader blankings were EC's first since Corey Taylor of Philadelphia and John Mark Williams silenced Jones in a pair in 1988.

• **Itawamba 6-8, EC 2-3:** The Warriors dropped two in Fulton on Friday to fall to 17-18 overall.

Joey Allen (3-3) took the loss in the opener while Allen Buckley (4-4) was the loser in the nightcap.

In the second game, Chad Champion hit his fifth homer of the season.

EC hosts Mississippi Delta today at 4 p.m. in a single game and Jones on Saturday in a South Division doubleheader at 1 p.m.



Brent Page trots home safely during a recent win over Pearl River.

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WEEK OF 4-5-99

Willis hurls no-hitter; MCC game called off

From **Staff Reports**

East Central Community College's Jason Willis fired a no-hitter in the first game of a doubleheader against Southwest Mississippi Community College.

Hurler Chad Champion, also of ECCC, followed with a shutout victory as the Diamond Warriors cruised to a pair of victories — 11-0 and 8-0.

The South Division wins keep ECCC on the heels of league-leading Gulf Coast in the playoff chase. As of Monday, the Bulldogs were 10-2 in the division, while the Diamond Warriors were one game back at 9-3.

ECCC is 17-18 overall.

Also in the playoff picture are Jones County Junior College at 8-6, Copiah-Lincoln Community College at 7-5 and Hinds Community College at 6-8.

The top two teams from the South and North Divisions qualify for the state tournament, which this year is being hosted by the South Division winner.

Willis (5-3), a product of Neshoba Central, struck out 10 and walked one to record the first no-hitter for an ECCC pitcher since Kenny Estep of Bishop, La., did it against Three Rivers Community College in 1996. Estep is now a member of the Louisiana Tech pitching staff.

For Willis, who earlier signed with Ole Miss and was drafted in the 24th round by the New York Yankees, the 11-0 decision represents his fourth career shutout — a new ECCC record.

Champion (2-1) a sophomore pitcher from Holt, Ala., struck out 12 in his shutout victory and allowed just two hits the 8-0 win. His ERA now stands at 0.36 through 25 innings of work and represents the best mark in Region 23.

ECCC is scheduled to return to action

Holmes had scheduled to games for today's date.

The Eagles' next contests will be Saturday and Sunday in Alexandria, La. They will play Galveston in a doubleheader on Saturday and a single game

Paula MerrittThe Meridian Sta

SENT PACKING — Forest's B.J. Jones, sliding, is tagged out at third base after trying to gain another base on a single by a teammate. Applying the tag is West Lauderdale's Brandon Boyd. The Knights lost, however, 4-3, in eight innings of play.

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WEEK OF 4/5/99

ECCC shuts out Southwest twice

The Warriors of East Central Community College swept Southwest before dropping a pair to Itawamba in last week's baseball action.

The Warriors swept a South Division doubleheader at Southwest to improve to 9-3 in league play. Gulf Coast leads at 10-2. Also in the playoff hunt are Jones (8-6), Copiah-Lincoln (7-5), and Hinds (6-8). Pearl River and Southwest are both 3-11.

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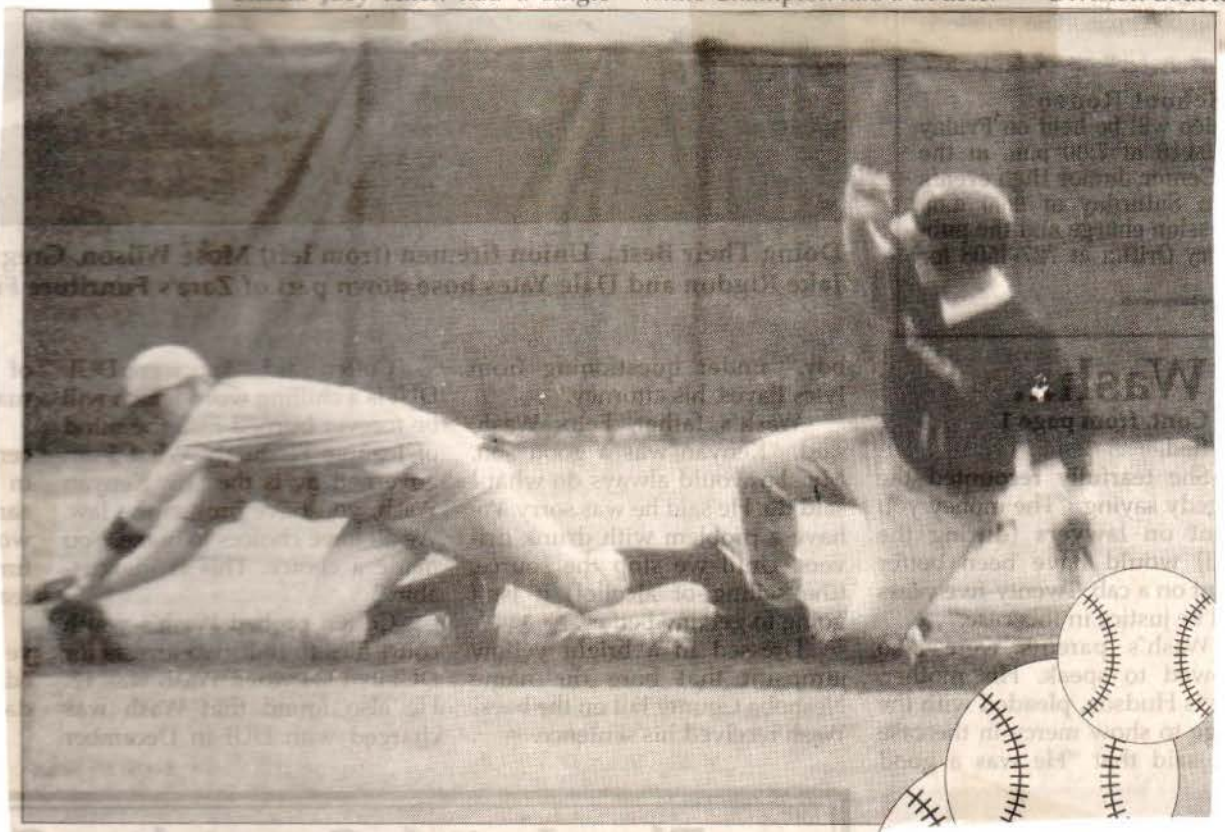

East Central Community College sophomore Justin Chaney slides safely into third base during a recent sweep of Pearl River. The Warriors added South Division sweeps of Copiah-Lincoln and Southwest to improve to 9-3 in the division. EC is 17-18 overall.

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WEEK OF 4-12-99

Warriors take over first place

Another standout performance by East Central Community College sophomore pitcher Jason Willis of Neshoba Central and clutch hitting by Willis and Justin Chaney of Newton County helped the Warriors sweep Jones 2-1 and 17-12 Saturday in Decatur.

The South Division wins gave EC sole possession of first place with a 12-4 mark. Gulf Coast is 13-5 while Jones is 10-8.

Willis not only tossed a one-hitter, but his two-run homer in the bottom of the sixth accounted for all of EC's runs in the opener.

Patrick Ferris had reached on an error prior to Willis' blast to left-center.

Willis struck out 10 and walked two in upping his record to 6-4. In his last 21 innings, the 24th-round draft pick the New York Yankees has allowed only one earned run.

While the first game was a pitchers' duel, the nightcap was a slugfest. Chaney drove in five runs with two doubles and a single. His bases-clearing double in the fourth extended EC's lead to 12-7.

Josh Hardy had two singles and a triple. Ferris had a single and a homer. Brodie Meadows added three singles. Joey Allen had a double to go with two singles.

Danny Rushing (2-1) got the win with 4 2/3 innings of relief.

The sweep upped EC's overall record to 20-20.

Earlier in the week, the Warriors split a twinbill at Hinds and blew a 9-2 lead in losing to Mississippi Delta.

At Hinds on April 6, the Warriors lost 4-2 in the opener before taking a 6-1 win in the second game.

Willis (5-4) took the loss in the first game. Ferris and Brent Page each had a double.

In the nightcap, the Warriors scored three runs in the top of the second to take a 4-0 lead.

Justin Webb had a double for EC.

Chad Champion (3-1) got the win with a four-hit complete game. Following the win, his ERA was 0.56 in 32 1/3 innings of work.

In Wednesday's 13-12 loss to Delta in Decatur, the Warriors led 9-2 through seven innings before shoddy defense and clutch hitting by the Trojans produced 11 runs in the final two innings.

Webb had a grand slam for the Warriors while Champion had a pair of homers. Bo Burkes added a bases-loaded triple.

ECCC shortstop Brent Page gets upended in Wednesday's game with Mississippi Delta. The Warriors swept Jones on Saturday to grab the lead in the South Division.

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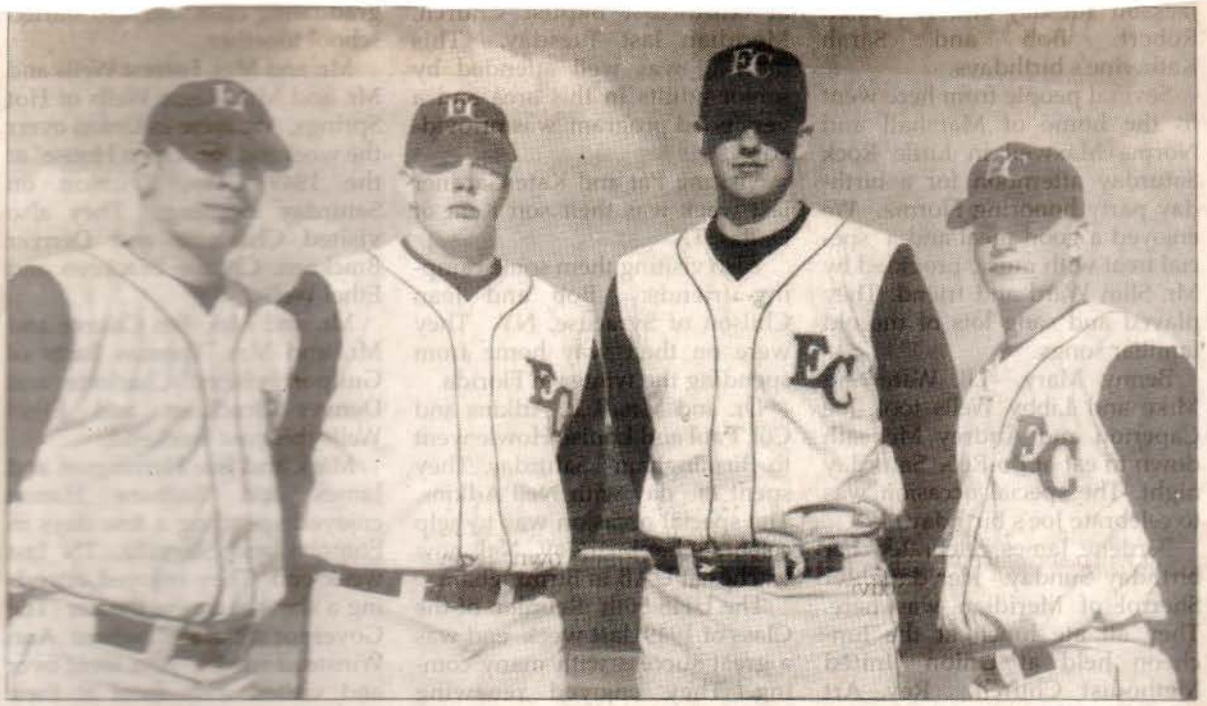

Playing key roles for the East Central Community College Warriors this spring are from left second baseman Justin Chaney of Newton County, outfielder/pitcher Chad Champion of Holt, Ala., pitcher/first baseman Jason Willis of Neshoba Central, and catcher Brodie Meadows of Brandon. All four are sophomores.

Meadows leads EC past River

With the 1999 baseball season entering its final week, the East Central Community College Warriors find themselves needing only one win in their final four games to clinch state and regional tournament berths.

EC hosts Copiah-Lincoln today at 4 p.m.

As of Monday, Gulf Coast led the South Division with a 15-5 mark. EC was second at 14-6 followed by Jones (13-9), Copiah-Lincoln (10-10), Hinds (8-12), Pearl River (6-14), and Southwest (4-14).

• **Gulf Coast 6-7, EC 2-0:** Gulf Coast all but wrapped up the South Division championship with the April 13 sweep at Perkinston.

The Bulldogs improved to 23-14 overall and 15-5 in the South Division. The Warriors fell to 20-22 and 12-6.

Chad Champion (3-2) took the loss in the opener.

Chuck Butler tossed a no-hitter for the Bulldogs in the nightcap.

• **EC 11-8, Pearl River 1-5:** It was the Brodie Meadows show for the Warriors Saturday at Poplarville as they took two division wins from the Wildcats.

Meadows had two home runs and six RBIs as the Warriors took the opener in just five innings. Leading 4-1, EC put the run rule on PRCC with seven runs in the top of the fifth. Meadows had a grand slam in the big inning.

The Warriors snapped a 1-1 tie in the top of the third when Patrick Ferris, Meadows, and Jason Willis hit consecutive home runs.

Jud Sanborn had a pair of singles.

Willis got the win to up his record to 8-4. He struck out nine without allowing a walk.

James Cagle (1-3) got the loss.

In the nightcap, the Warriors rallied from a 5-4 deficit with four runs in the top of the seventh to complete the sweep. Meadows had a two-run single in the winning rally.

Pearl River held a 5-0 advantage through three innings.

Willis had a two-run homer in the top of the fourth.

Meadows continued his career day with a single and a double. Sanborn had two doubles.

Joey Allen (4-6) got the win in relief of Chad Champion. Clay Hannaford (2-6) took the loss.

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WEEK OF 4-26-99

EC readies for State Tournament

The East Central Community College Baseball program has reached another milestone. The playoff-bound Diamond Warriors, who last year captured their first state championship, won a share of their first South Division title following a weekend doubleheader with visiting Southwest.

East Central and Gulf Coast are this year's co-division champs, as both squads completed season play with 17-7 records. East Central came close to winning the title outright and being designated the host of this year's state tourney. But a 4-2 loss to the Bears in extra innings of game two nipped those thoughts in the bud. East Central won the first game by an 8-5 margin.

What made the Southwest games crucial to the Diamond Warriors was that Gulf Coast dropped a doubleheader to visiting Copiah-Lincoln the same day. Since the Bulldogs won three of their four games with East Central, Gulf Coast will serve as site of this year's competition.

East Central, which completed the regular season with a 25-23 mark, is making its third straight appearance in the sate tournament, which gets underway Friday on the Perkinston campus. The Diamond Warriors meet Northwest, the top-seeded North team, at 3 p.m. Gulf Coast and Itawamba battle at 7 p.m.

The double elimination tournament continues through the weekend, with games scheduled at 11 a.m., 3 pm.m, and 7 p.m. on Saturday. The championship matchup is set for 1 p.m. Should a game seven be needed to determine the state winner, that contest will be played thirty minutes following game six.

All ECCC tournament games will be broadcast by WSSI-FM(98.3) in Carthage, featuring veteran broadcaster Mike Goodwin.

East Central also qualified for the fourth straight year to compete in the Region 23 Tournament scheduled May 7-9 at Meridian Community College. Tournament brackets will be announced next week.

Against Southwest, East Central won 8-5 in the first game and fell 4-2 in the second contest, which went 10 innings.

Leading hitters for EC in the first matchup were Justin Chaney of Newton County, two singles; and Brodie Meadows of Brandon, Justin Webb of Neshoba Central and Jud Sanborn of Noxapater, singles each.

In the second game, sluggers were Meadows, two singles; Jason Willis of Neshoba Central, double; and Sanborn Webb, Jayeson McDonald of Tuscaloosa County and Joey Allen of Junction City, Ark., singles each.

Danny Rushing(4-2) of Edinburg was the losing pitcher.

Needing just one more victory to secure a spot in the state playoffs, East Central responded by scoring four runs in the bottom of the seventh to claim a 6-5 victory over Co-Lin in game one of doubleheader action played April 21 in Decatur. East Central also won the nightcap by a 10-9 margin.

Rushing (4-1) was the winning pitcher in the first game and Willis(8-4) came in relief to win the second matchup.

Diamond Warrior sluggers during the first game were Sanborn, three singles; Chaney and Willis, two singles each; and Webb, single.

Game two hitters were Patrick Ferris of Clinton, triple and two singles; Allen and Sanborn, two singles each; Chad Champion of Holt, Ala., home run; Willis, Chaney and Chuck Welch of University Christian, singles each.

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WEEK OF 4-26-99

East Central sweeps Pearl River

A doubleheader sweep of hometanding Pear River Community College over the weekend has moved East Central Community College's Diamond Warriors a step closer to qualifying for this year's state tournament. East Central, which claimed its first state baseball championship last season, needs just one win with four games remaining to make the playoffs for the third straight year.

The Diamond Warriors, 22-22 overall and 14-6 in league play, cruised to an easy 11-1 win over PRC in game one and claimed an 8-5 decision to cap[the doubleheader.

Trailing 1-0 after the first inning of game one, the Diamond Warriors took control in the third as freshman Patrick Ferris of Clinton and sophomores Brodie Meadows of Brandon and Jason Willis of Neshoba Central hit back-to-back homers and extended East Central's lead to 4-1. The Diamond Warriors scored seven runs in the fifth, and the South Division matchup was called after five innings due to the 10 run rule.

Meadows had a career day at the plate, as the hard hitting catcher added a second homer and led the Diamond Warriors' offensive attack. Other sluggers included freshman Jud Sanborn of Noxapater, two singles, and sophomore Justin Chaney of Newton County and freshman Brent Page and Justin Webb, both of Neshoba Central, singles each.

Willis went the distance for the Diamond Warriors, as he fanned nine and walked none.

Winning game two was not as easy as the first contest; in fact, it took a diving catch by second baseman Chaney with two outs and the bases loaded in the seventh inning to end the Wildcat scoring threat and the game as well.

EC hitters included Willis, home run; Sanborn, two doubles; Meadows, double and single; and Chaney, Ferris, Webb and freshman Josh hardy of Philadelphia, singles each.

Sophomore Joey Allen (4-6) of Junction City, Ark., was the winning pitcher. Freshman Allen Buckley of Brandon was credited with the save..

In other games last week, East Central lost a doubleheader to division leading Gulf Coast in Perkinston on April 13.

The Diamond Warriors fell 6-2 in the first game and 7-0 in the nightcap.

Sophomore Chad Champion (3-2) of Holt, Ala., took the loss in game one. Leading hitters were Champion and Meadows, singles each.

In game two, the Bulldog's Chuck Butler fired a no-hitter to complete the sweep and move Gulf Coast past East Central for the division lead.

Remaining regular season games for East Central include home doubleheaders with Copiah-Lincoln, beginning at 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 21; and against Southwest, which gets underway at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 24. There is no charge for admission.

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WEEK OF 5-3-99

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LISTEN TO ME — East Central Community College head baseball coach Jamie Clark tries to get his point across during Saturday's win.

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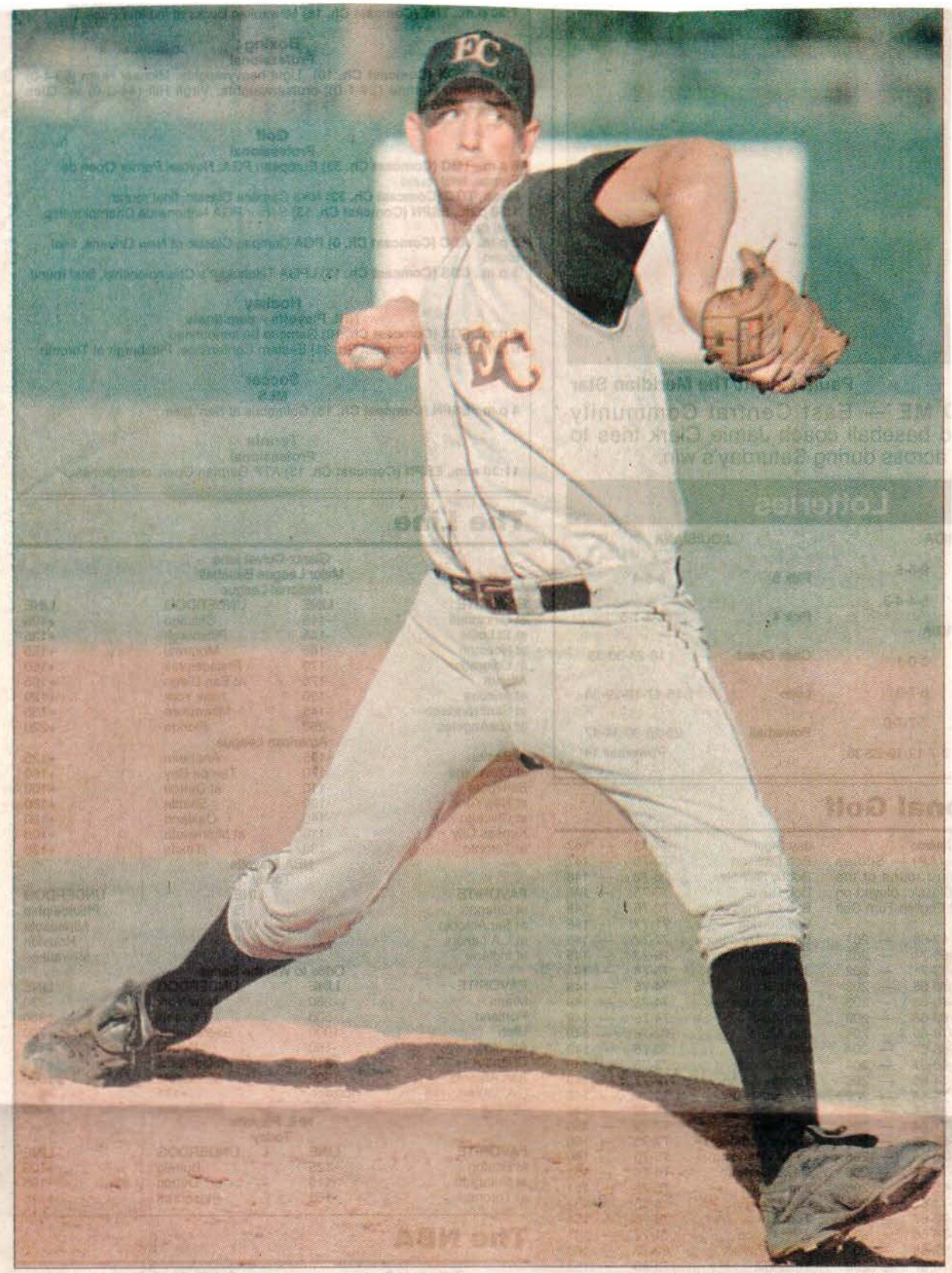

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SETTING THE PACE — East Central Community College pitcher Jason Willis set a Region 23 Baseball Tournament record Saturday with 18 strikeouts in a single game.

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Willis K's Northeast

By **Austin Bishop**
The Meridian Star

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East Central Community College head baseball coach Jamie Clark only has one major problem with star pitcher Jason Willis.

"My only gripe with Willis is that his momma and daddy didn't have twins when they had him," Clark said.

Northeast Mississippi must have thought Willis was twins on Saturday afternoon, as the big sophomore right-hander struck out 18 batters and hit a two-run homer to lead East Central to a 7-3 win in the elimination round of the Region 23 Tournament being played at Meridian Community College's Scaggs Field.

"Eighteen strikeouts and two walks in a playoff is almost unbelievable," Clark said. "There is not a whole lot you can say other than when we offered him a scholarship two years ago maybe we made the right decision."

"I felt like I could do something when I got out there today," Willis said. "My slider was working real good. I got the fastball over first pitch most of the time, then I would go back to my slider and get them out with it."

"He did a super job," said Northeast head coach Ray Scott. "The book on him was he was a tough pitcher and he had two or three pitches working today for strikes."

Willis is now 10-5 on the year with the win.

With the win East Central moves into today's round of action against Delgado Community College. The Warriors have to win two games in order to claim the Region 23 championship.

"All we asked these guys before this tournament was to win two games," Clark said. "Because we felt like if we could win two and get to Sunday that the excitement of Sunday would take care of itself.

"Now they have got to go out (today) and play hard and play on emotion and we will see what happens," Clark said.

Northeast took a 1-0 lead in the top of the first inning thanks to an ECCC error before the Warriors tied it up in the bottom of the inning when they combined a Northeast error with singles by Brodie Meadows and Willis.

East Central exploded for three big runs off Northeast starter Josh Dowdy (2-3) in the bottom of the second inning to go up 4-1.

Brent Page scored on a wild pitch and Joey Allen followed with a two-run single to take care of the ECCC offensive dam-

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Willis

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age.

Willis did his part offensively with a two-run homer to left field. His homer followed a bizzare play in which the Northeast catcher dropped a foul ball by Willis. Had the foul been caught, ECCC's Lee Martin would have likely have been doubled off first base. Instead, Willis made it hurt with the big homer.

Northeast scored two in the top of the sixth to cut it to 6-3 before the Warriors added a single run in the bottom of the seventh to close out the scoring.

WEEK OF 5-3-99

Delgado whips ECCC in first round

By **Austin Bishop**
The Meridian Star

The start to his team's 9-1 Region 23 Tournament loss to Delgado (La.) Community College on Thursday afternoon wasn't exactly what East Central Community College head coach Jamie Clark had in mind.

Delgado struck for four runs in the top of the first inning in a game played at Meridian Community College's Scaggs Field, knocking East Central ace Jason Willis (9-5) off the mound in the process on the way to a 9-1 win by the run-rule.

"Since we are not a powerful offensive team we didn't think we could get very far behind and have a chance to win," Clark said. "The very worst that could happen did happen — they knock our starting pitcher out of the game and we got behind. We are just going to have to show up (Friday) and hope for better things."

"I thought the difference in the game was obviously the first inning," said Delgado head coach Joe Scheuermann. "Momentum is so important, you get the ball rolling and play off that."

East Central has another tough chore today as the Warriors, now 26-26 on the year, must face the Gulf Coast at 4 p.m.

Delgado moves to tonight's game at 7 against Meridian Community College, which defeated Mississippi Delta 8-0, also in first-round play.

"It doesn't get any easier, but that's the breaks," Clark said.

Delgado's big first inning was

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fueled by a three-run homer off the bat of Brett Kirsh, his first of the year.

Clark said he wasn't surprised with Delgado's effort in the game.

"I told somebody a couple of weeks ago that I thought the best team we had played was Delgado," Clark said. "This wasn't surprising that they played this well."

Willis was roughed up for three hits, four runs, three earned runs and a walk in the first inning.

Reliever Danny Rushing gave up two runs in the second, as the Warriors fell behind 6-0, but then pitched well over the next three innings, giving the Warriors a chance to win.

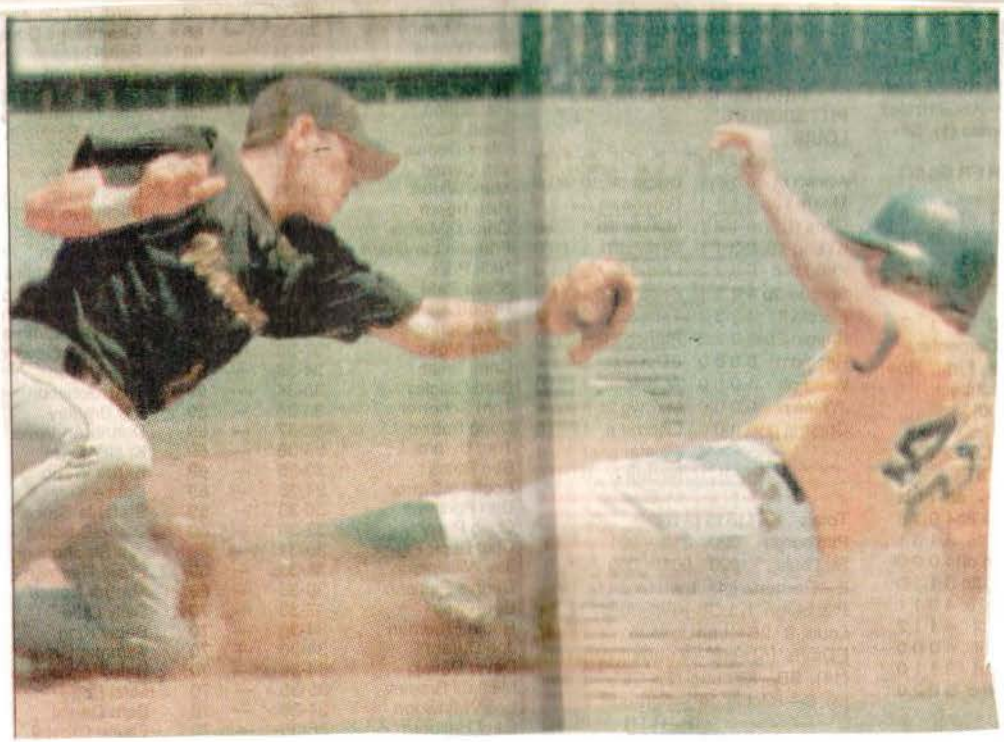
Delgado starter Luke Fortenberry (6-5) gave up a single run in the top of the third, but other than that held East Central in check the entire game.

In a four-day, double-elimination tournament every team is looking to get a complete game out of their pitcher and to win by the run rule. Delgado took care of both on Thursday.

"We had a 65-pitch game out of Fortenberry so that means he ought to be able to come back on Sunday if we're still here," Scheuermann. The finals are set for 1 p.m. on Sunday.

"That's very important," he said. "We haven't had the fortune of winning run rule games here. This is probably the first game we've won by the run rule in this tournament since I've been here." This is Scheuermann's ninth year as head coach at Delgado.

Geoff Gordon picked up three hits for Delgado, which moved to 29-17 on the year with the win. R.J. Elbin and Tharun Anderson added a double each for the Dolphins, while Justin Chaney had a single and double for the Warriors.



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Warriors finish third in state; regional begins Th

By MARTY STAMPER
Democrat Sports Editor

The East Central Community College Warriors placed third in the MACJC state baseball tournament at Ken Farris Field in Perkinston last weekend.

After opening with a win over NJCAA Division II top-ranked Northwest on Friday, the Warriors were eliminated with losses to eventual champion Itawamba and Gulf Coast on Saturday.

Itawamba beat Gulf Coast 12-8 in Sunday's second game after the Bulldogs had knocked off the Indians 7-2 in Sunday's opener.

"We played really well in the state tournament and only made two errors in three games," Warriors coach Jamie Clark said. "Defensively, we played about as well as we could play. We swung the bat very well Friday against Northwest and Saturday against Itawamba. But in the Itawamba game, we could not bunch our hits together. In other words, we did not make hits when we had baserunners. But then again, Itawamba played as hot as a firecracker and has done so over the past few weeks."

East Central will be competing in the Region 23 Division I Tournament this week in Meridian. The Warriors, 26-25, open the six-team double-eliminatiuon tournament Thursday at 1 p.m. against Delgado from New Orleans. The two teams met in Decatur during the regular season with the Dolphins taking a 10-5 win on March 3.

EC and Delgado are becoming familiar opponents in the Region 23 event. Delgado claimed a 4-4 win last year and a 13-5 victory in 1996.

Thursday's other games have Gulf Coast (38-17) facing Northeast Mississippi at 4 p.m. and Meridian (34-16) meeting Mississippi Delta (24-22) at 7.

The Warriors will turn to sophomore ace Jason Willis (9-4) against the Dolphins. He's 18-7 in his two seasons at EC.

Clark expects to go with Allen Buckley (3-4) in the second game.

"Obviously we will use our bullpen as needed to win each game which will be a determining factor on who will start the remaining games," Clark said.

If EC beats Delgado, the Warriors would play the Meridian-Delta winner Friday at 7 p.m. A Delgado win would send the Warriors against the Gulf Coast-Northeast winner Friday at 4 p.m.

EC's games in the tournament will be broadcast on WSSI-FM (98.3) in Carthage.

• **EC 8, Northwest 6:** The Warriors opened the tournament Friday afternoon with a win over the nation's top-ranked NJCAA Division II team.

EC trailed 4-1 after three innings before drawing even with three runs in the top of the fourth. The Warriors, 26-23, went up 7-4 with three runs in the sixth.

Jason Willis (9-4) got the complete-game win, aiding his effort with a double and a home run. He struck out eight and walked only two as the Rangers touched him for six runs and seven hits.

Justin Webb also had a double to go with a homer. Jud Sanborn and Justin Chaney both had doubles for the Warriors while Brodie Meadows had a homer.

EC outhit Northwest 13 to seven with three Ranger homers keeping them in the game. Northwest fell to 41-7-1. Two of the losses have been to the Warriors.

• **Itawamba 13, EC 4:** Jason Willis again had a double and a home run for the Warriors in Saturday afternoon's loss to the hot-swinging Indians who improved to 35-16.

Justin Webb, Brodie Meadows, and Joey Allen each had a double for EC, 26-24.

Chad Champion (4-3) took the loss, allowing six runs in just 1 1/3 innings.

• **Gulf Coast 7, EC 3:** The Bulldogs extracted a measure of revenge from last year's championship game by eliminating the Warriors Saturday night. EC fell to 26-25.

Allen Buckley (3-4) took the loss, allowing five runs on just three hits through 4 2/3 innings. Danny Rushing completed the contest, allowing two runs on three hits to the Bulldogs, 37-16.

Jason Willis continued his hot tournament with a home run, his 10th of the season and third of the tournament.

"We had a huge crowd and a great turnout of East Central people," EC coach Jamie Clark said of Saturday night's contest.

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Warriors in the regionals

1998 – East Central 10, East Mississippi 0
Delgado 6, East Central 4
Meridian 3, East Central 1
(EC finished 32-22)

1997 – East Central 12, Gulf Coast 1
Mississippi Delta 12, East Central 8
Meridian 9, East Central 6
(EC finished 40-18)

1996 – Delgado 13, East Central 5
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(EC finished 31-21)

Justin Webb had a home
6 win over Northwest Fri

ECCC Diamond Warriors Fall in State Tourney; Prepare for Region 23

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WEEK OF 5-3-99

ECCC Diamond Warriors place 3rd

The East Central Community College Diamond Warriors came in third in the MACJC state tournament at Perkinston last weekend.

EC opened with an 8-6 win over top-ranked Northwest on Friday before losing to Itawamba and Gulf Coast on Saturday.

EC, 26-25, opens Region 23 Division I Tournament play Thursday at 1 p.m. in Meridian against Delgado from New Orleans. The six-team tournament is a double-elimination affair. Other participants are host Meridian, Gulf Coast, Mississippi Delta, and Northeast Mississippi.

"We really played well in the state tournament and only made two errors in three games," EC coach Jamie Clark said. "Defensively, we played about as well as we could play.

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WEEK OF 5-10-99

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YOU'RE THE MAN — East Central's Danny Rushing is congratulated on his home run in the sixth inning. ECCC would lose to Delgado, 8-6.

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WEEK OF 5-12-99

Diamond Warriors Place Second in Region 23

It was almost a storybook ending for the East Central Community College Diamond Warriors who emerged from the loser's bracket to compete in the championship game Sunday afternoon of the Region 23 Division I Tournament held at Meridian Community College's Scaggs Field.

East Central, which completed season action with a 28-27 mark, fell 8-6 to Delgado (32-17) for the region title. But the Diamond Warriors, who advanced to the championship series by outscoring Northeast 7-3 on Saturday and shellacking Gulf Coast 13-5 on Friday night, were not the easy victim the Louisiana team experienced after claiming a 9-1 victory in first-round action. Although East Central would have had to beat the Dolphins twice on Sunday to win its first region title (Delgado was undefeated in the double-elimination tourney), for awhile it looked as if the Diamond Warriors would have that opportunity, thanks to an unlikely hero.

Danny Rushing, who last year as a freshman walk-on was the winning pitcher in East Central's victory over Gulf Coast for the state title, slapped a three-run homer - his only hit this year - in the sixth inning which deadlocked the score at 5-5. Rushing's blast followed a two-run shot by freshman Patrick Ferriss of Clinton. The Diamond Warriors scored their sixth run in the inning when Jud Sanborn of Noxapater tallied following a double by Newton County product Justin Chaney, and held their 6-5 advantage until the eighth inning.

Delgado scored three runs in the eighth to retake the lead and maintain an 8-6 margin into the bottom of the ninth, when the stage was set again for possible heroics by Rushing. But such was not to be as the former Edinburg standout was left on deck when the side was retired with one Warrior - sophomore Brodie Meadows of Brandon - on base.

Rushing (4-3) took the loss for East Central, as he allowed three runs on six hits through three and two-thirds innings. He fanned two and walked none. Chad Champion of Holt, Alabama, was the starting pitcher and was relieved in the second by sophomore Joey Allen of Junction City, Arkansas. Champion allowed four runs on three hits. He fanned one and walked one. Allen allowed one run on four hits through four innings. He fanned two and walked one.

In addition to Rushing, Ferriss and Chaney, other sluggers for East Central were Meadows and Jason Willis of Neshoba Central, three singles each; and Sanborn, two singles. Runs were scored by Josh Hardy of Philadelphia, Ferriss, Linzy Gressett of Carthage, Willis, Rushing and Sanborn.

Tournament Summary:

East Central 7, Northeast 3. Willis (10-5) was the winning pitcher and set a tournament record with 18 strikeouts. The Neshoba Central product also blasted a two-run homer in the second inning and added an RBI single in the first. Other sluggers were Meadows and Allen, two singles each; Chaney and Brent Page of Neshoba Central, singles each. Runs were scored by Lee Martin (2) of Lake, Page, Ferris, Chaney, Willis and Allen.

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WEEK OF June 7, 1999

East Central diamond award winners

Baseball players at East Central who received honors following the 1998-99 campaign include (from left) Jud Sanborn, most improved; Brodie Meadows, most valuable player, best defensive player and best offensive player; and Michael Hall of Leake Academy and Danny Rushing of Edinburg, Exemplary Players of the Year. The awards were presented by Coach Jamie Clark.

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WEEK OF 06/14/99

EC quintet to extend baseball careers

Five members of the 1999 East Central Community College baseball team will continue their careers either in the professional ranks or with four-year schools.

At the top of the list is pitcher/first baseman Jason Willis who has signed a contract with the New York Yankees. The Neshoba Central product posted a 10-5 record this spring and led Region 23 in strikeouts with 127. An All-Region and All-State selection for the second consecutive year, Willis was taken by the Yankees in the 24th round of the 1998 draft. He signed with Ole Miss in the fall of 1998 but elected to ink a six-figure deal with the Yankees.

Also tapped by the Yankees in the June 1999 draft is freshman pitcher Allen Buckley of Brandon. A 35th round pick, Buckley has decided to return to ECCC for his sophomore year.

Since 1987, 12 members of the ECCC teams have been drafted or have signed with professional baseball organizations.

Four members of the 1999 Region 23 Tournament runner-up squad will continue their careers at four-year schools. Catcher Brodie Meadows of Brandon and pitcher/outfielder Chad Champion of Holt, Ala., have signed with the University of West Alabama.

Pitcher/outfielder Joey Allen of Junction City, Ark., inked with the University of Arkansas-Monticello and second baseman Justin Chaney of Newton County inked with Belhaven College.

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WEEK OF June 21, 1999

N.Y. Yankees sign ECCC pitcher

Several members of the 1999 East central Community College baseball team will continue their careers either in the professional ranks or with four-year colleges.

At the top of the list is pitcher/first baseman Jason Willis of Philadelphia who signed a contract with the New York Yankees. Willis, a product of Neshoba Central high School, posted a 10-5 record for the Diamond Warriors this past season and recorded the most strikeouts (127) among all 17 teams in Region 23. Willis, an All-Region and All-State selection for the second consecutive year, was drafted by the Yankees in the 24th round. He had earlier signed with the University of Mississippi but has decided to enter the professional ranks.

Also tapped by the Yankees is pitcher Allen Buckley of Brandon, who recently completed his freshman season as a Diamond Warrior. Buckley, drafted in the 35th round, has decided to return to East Central for his sophomore year.

This past season marks the third straight year a member of the ECCC baseball team has caught the attention of the New York Yankees. Marcus Thames of Louisville was drafted following the 1997 campaign and competes in the AA league. Since 1987, 12 members of the Diamond Warriors squad have been drafted or have signed with professional baseball organizations.

Four members of this year's 1999 Diamond Warrior squad will continue their careers at four-year colleges. Those players include catcher Brodie Meadows of Brandon and outfielder/pitcher Chad Champion of Holt, Ala., who have signed with the University of West Alabama; outfielder/pitcher Joey Allen of Junction City, Arkansas, now with the University of Arkansas at Monticello; and second baseman Justin Chaney of newton County, who signed with Belhaven.

The 1999 Diamond Warriors placed third in the state tournament and finished runners-up in the Region 23 competition en route to a 28-27 record. Jamie Clark has served as head coach for the past 12 years.

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ECCC Diamond Week coaches

Serving as camp instructors for East Central Community College's annual Diamond Week were (front row from left) Josh Chaney, Brian Hardy, and Tommy Holland; (second row) Mark Davis, Dan Gressett, and Reggie Richardson; (back row) ECCC coaches Jamie Clark and Neal Holliman.

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NCA Wins ECCC Tourney & Most Valuable Player Award

The Newton County Academy Generals took all of the top awards at the East Central Community College Christmas Invitational basketball tournament in the boys division. It was a case of good individual and team play that led to the tourney championship and a 13-1 record to date.

In the first game, after a two-week layoff, the Generals were a bit rusty on offense. However, the defense tightened up and id maybe the best job of the year.

Sylva Bay jumped out to an 8-4 lead. But until the middle of the third quarter the Generals had denied them another point and the score favored the Generals 44-8. At that point the reserve took over and the final score was 51-24.

Leading scorers were Matthew Roebuck with 22 points and Daniel Munn with 8.

On Monday night the Generals took on the talented Winston "AA" Patriots in the semi-finals. The score remained close the entire game and was tied at 50-all with 17 seconds remaining when after a time out, Matthew Roebuck banked in the winning basket for a 52-50 win.

General leading scorers were Matthew Roebuck 25 point; Bryan Hamil, 13 points; and Daniel Munn with 9.

The two victories set up a showdown which matched the teams that played for the State Class "A" championship in February of 1998, Newton County Academy and University Christian Academy, which was won by NCA. University Christian had reached the finals by defeating Woodland Hills and Leake Academies.

University Christian led 16-13 at the end of the first quarter, but the Generals moved ahead 28-27 on a last second Roebuck and Bryan Hamil made two free throws each to put the game away by the score of 59-57.

Leading the Generals were Matthew Roebuck with 28 points, 11 rebounds, and 4 blocked shots, with great help from all of the starters as Daniel Munn and Jonathan McDonald each had 9 points; "Skip" Stamper, 7 points, and Brian Hamil, 5 points. It took a team effort to defeat the talented Flames.

To cap off the great victory, Matthew Roebuck was honored by being chosen as the tournament's most valuable player after averaging 25 points per game and was the tournament's leading rebounder and shot blocker.

The Generals return to district play at Sylva Bay Tuesday, January 5, then return home on Friday, January 8, to host Hebron, as they attempt to defend their back-to-back state championships.

ECCC Teams Begin '99 By Hosting Miss. Delta

East Central Community College basketball teams begin the new year by hosting Mississippi Delta in nonconference action scheduled Saturday, January 9. Tip-off for the women's game is 6 p.m. with the men's matchup set at 7:45 p.m. in the Brackeen-Wood Physical Education Building.

The nationally ranked Lady Warriors are 12-1 overall and 4-0 in South Division play. Led by veteran coach Sammy Pace, the ECCC women are ranked in the latest NJCAA poll.

Coach Jay Bowen's Warriors sport a 6-7 overall mark and are winless in all four division matchups.

East Central resumes division competition by traveling to Copiah-Lincoln on Monday, January 11. Both teams host Hinds Community College on Thursday, January 14.

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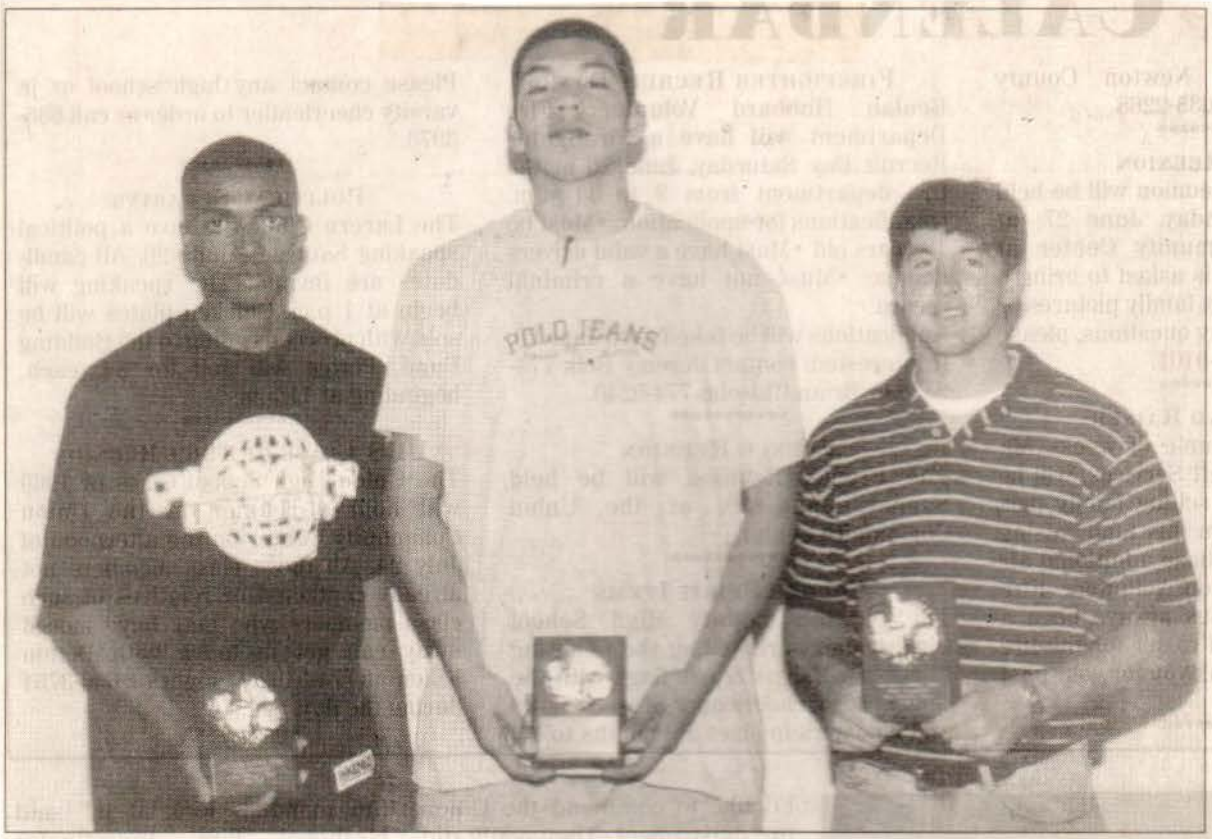

ECCC men's basketball honorees

East Central Community College men's basketball team members who received awards following the 1998-99 season are, from left, Lamond Bowie (Best Offensive Player and Newcomer of the Year); Keith Bell (Best Rebounder); and Ray Waddell (Most Valuable Player, Warrior Award, and Best Defensive Player).

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Members of the East Central Community College women's basketball team who received honors following the 1998-99 season are, seated from left, Tonya Viverette (Scholastic Award), Ellake Murray (Playmaker Award), Felicia Temple (Sixth Man Award), Wendy Mapp (Most Valuable Player and Best Offensive Player); back row, Sonya Pinkston (Lady Warrior Award), Charissa Williams (Most Improved), Krystal Courtney (team captain, Free Throw Award, and Hustle Award), Tonya Moncrief (Freshman of the Year), and Sharae Brown (Best Defensive Player and Rebound Award).

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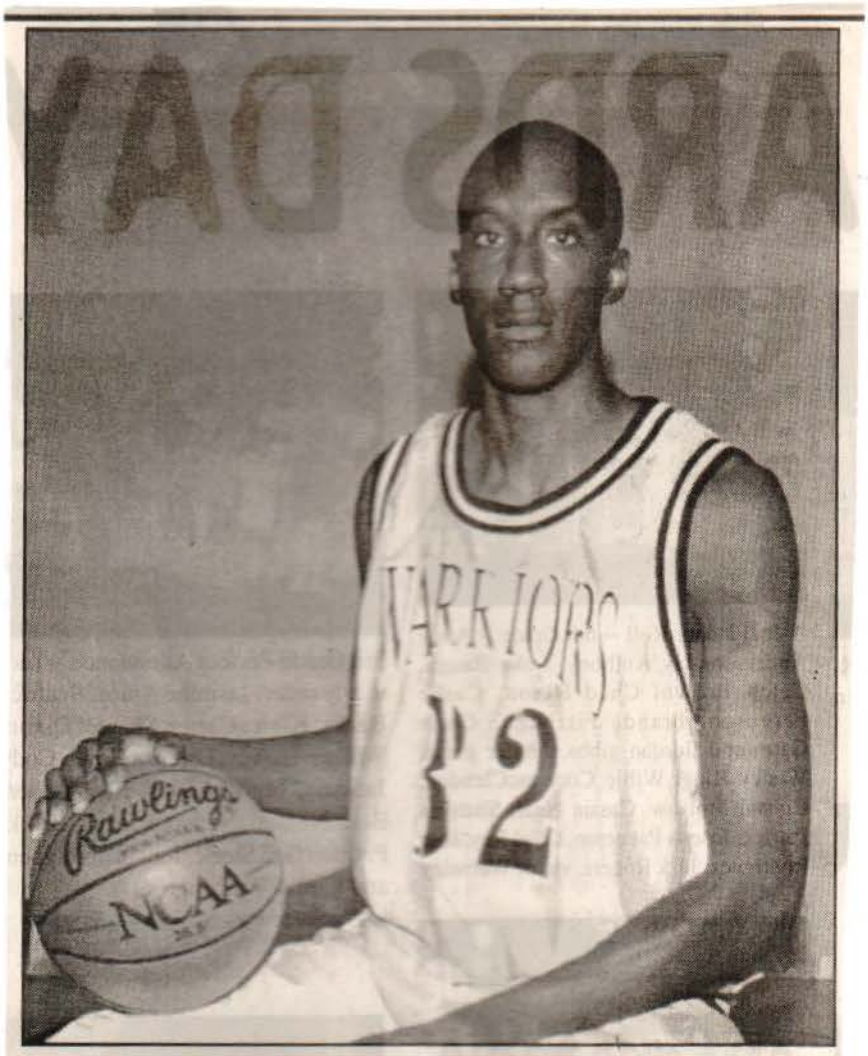

ECCC Student Signs with Tougaloo College

Ashley McDougle, the son of Joe and Jacqueline McDougle, is a 1998 graduate of Morton High School and a member of the 1998 3A Champion Basketball Team. After a season playing with the ECCC Warrior's Basketball Team, he has signed an Athletic Scholarship with the Tougaloo College Bulldogs where he will be attending this fall.

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Porter signs with East Central Community College

Margo Porter a senior at LHS, signed with ECCC to participate in their basketball program. She has received awards such as Best Defensive Player, All-District Player and Most Athletic. She is the daughter of Sylvia Porter. She is shown with Crandall Porter and Coach Sheila Sullivan

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Moore inks with ECCC

Forest senior Jason Moore has signed a National Letter of Intent to play basketball at East Central Community College in Decatur. Pictured with Moore (seated) at the signing is (from left) William White, FHS assistant boy's basketball coach; Steve Harber, FHS head boy's basketball coach; Garland Moore; and FHS principal Skip Latham.(Times staff photo by David Hawkins)

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Nicole Cox inks with ECCC

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to play women's basketball at East Central Community College
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ly at Lake High School is(standing, from left) Bill Ingersoll, LHS
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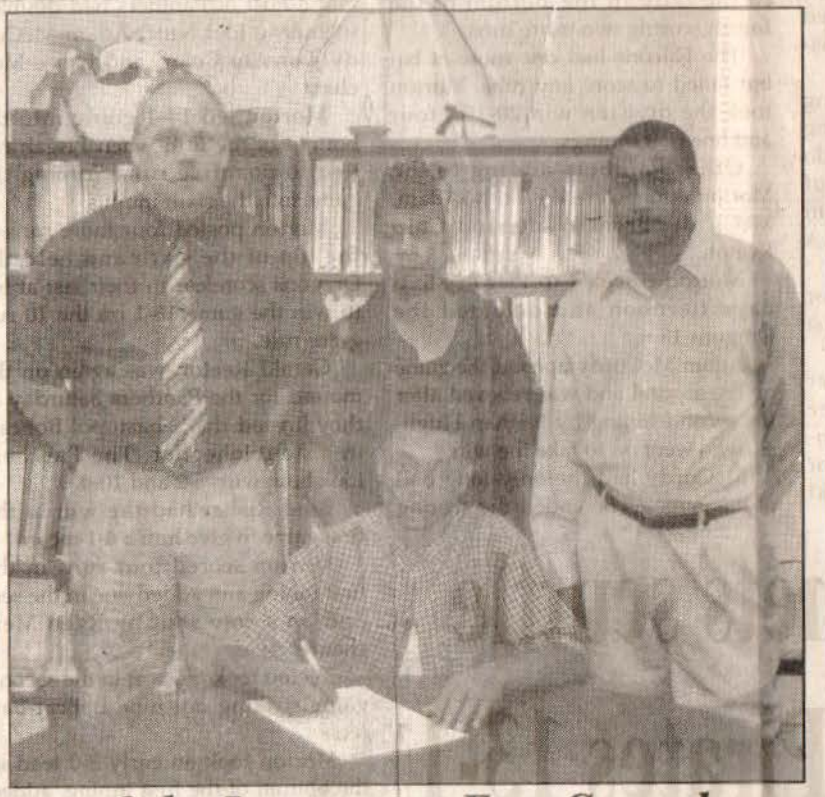

Otha Lay goes to East Central

Otha Lay of Lake High School has signed a National Letter of Intent to play men's basketball at East Central Community College in Decatur. Pictured with Lay(seated) at the signing ceremony held recently at Lake High School is (standing from left) Lake basketball coach Bill Ingersoll, Vinnie Lay, and Rickey Lay.

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Skip Latham, FHS principal.

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EC MACJC All-Stars named

These members of the East Central Community College women's basketball team participated in the annual Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges All-Star basketball games held April 1 at Choctaw Central High School. From the left are Sharae Brown of Scott Central High School, Krystal Courtney of Holden, (La.) High School; and Wendy Mapp, a product of Newton County High School. The Lady Warrior standouts were members of the South squad which fell to the North by an 81-79 margin. Brown was the South's second leading scorer with 12 points. Courtney had 10 points and Mapp added four in the losing effort. The MACJC All-Star basketball games are hosted by the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, Silver Star Resort and Casino and East Central Community College. Also serving as sponsors were Pepsi and Mississippi Sports Medicine.

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Nine area b'ballers sign intentions, 8 with EC

Nine area roundballers accepted scholarships to continue their post-high school education and basketball careers.

Johnita Conrad of Choctaw Central signed on with Coach Cheryl Rice at South Alabama on April 7, the first day of the spring signing period, and on April 8, eight more area players accepted scholarships to play at East Central Community College.

Brian Johnson and Joey Mann of South Leake, Dwayne Hughes of Sebastopol and Kent Chamblee of Leake Academy all signed with Coach Jay Bowen of the Warriors, while Uri Honeysucker and Sharon Johnson of South Leake, Jessica Sanders of Edinburg and Kittie Wilson of Sebastopol signed on with Coach Sammy Pace of the Lady Warriors.

Sunbelt bound

Conrad helped lead the Choctaw Central Lady Warriors to three State 2A titles in four years, collecting all-state honors four consecutive years under coach Willis Tullos, and under Kenneth Thrash and was named to the All-Division team for the fourth consecutive year.

He is the son of Emma Smith of Sebastopol.

The final two area players signed by the Warriors both hail from South Leake, Brian Johnson and Joey Mann.

Of Johnson, Bowen commented, "We see his role as being a bigger three-man in our system than we've had before."

As juniors, Johnson and Mann were on the Wildcat team which made an appearance in the 2A State Playoffs for the first time since 1992.

Under coach Richard Rivers his senior season, Johnson averaged eight points and

Rice at South Alabama likes Conrad's intensity and winning ways.

"She's an excellent offensive player with a very competitive spirit," Rice said.

"She has great hands and her anticipation (on defense) on reading the passers is great," she added of Conrad's defensive skills.

"I think she'll be a major contributor to the Sunbelt Conference and to our program next season," she added.

In her senior season, Conrad averaged nearly 20 points to go along with approximately six steals and six assists.

She is the daughter of Linnie Conrad and John Wallace and is number 12 academically in a graduating class of 70 at Choctaw Central.

Future Warriors

Chamblee, who signed a partial scholarship with baseball coach Jamie Clark, completed his scholarship with East Central by signing with Coach Bowen.

Bowen said, "His competitive nature coming from a winning program will be a great attribute to our program."

Chamblee won back-to-back AAA state titles with the Leake Academy Rebels under coach Phil Shepard and averaged nearly 16 points and seven rebounds his senior season.

"We think he brings to our program a strong, bigger point that can handle the physical nature or our league," Bowen added.

Chamblee was selected First Team All-MPSA his senior season and was twice named to the AAA All-State team.

He is the son of Paul and Teresa Lyle of Carthage and Aaron Chamblee of Alabama.

Dwayne Hughes of Sebastopol was on Bowen's wish list from day one and Bowen got his wish.

"His shooting and scoring ability will make him a threat right away," he said of Hughes.

Hughes averaged 22 points, six rebounds, five assists and five steals his senior season

Mann is the son of John and Annie Gray.

Future Lady Warriors

Sammy Pace head coach of the East Central Lady Warriors feels he's added speed and depth for the 1999-2000 season.

First, though, he added a pair of big players from South Leake, Uri Honeysucker and Sharon Johnson.

Honeysucker was a four-time All-Division player under Richard Rivers, averaging 14 points and seven rebounds her senior season.

"She's a very gifted offensive player, strong with a good eye for the basketball," Pace commented.

Honeysucker is the daughter of Miller and Betty Johnson.

Jessica Sanders of Edinburg was a 5-1A All-Division selection both her junior and senior years under Steve Moorehead.

As a junior, Sanders averaged 19 points per game, and raised her scoring to 24.5 her senior season to go along with six rebounds and four assists.

"An excellent shooter, really, with a long range shot," Pace said.

Sanders is the daughter of Manuel and Paula Sanders.

Finally, Pace added post-player Kittie Wilson of Sebastopol to his list on signing day.

Wilson was named to the 8-1A All-Division team her senior

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Nicole Cox & Otha Lay sign letters of intent with ECCC

(above) Nicole Cox (front) signs a letter of intent to play basketball for East Central Community College, pitcured with Nicole are (from left at back) Coach Bill Ingersoll, Grover Cox, Nicole's father, and Coach Sammy Pace of ECCC.

(above) Otha Lay (front) signs a letter of intent to play basketball for East Central Community College, pitcured with Otha are (from left at back) Coach Bill Ingersoll, Vinnie Lay & Ricky Lay, Otha's parents.

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BASKETBALL

ST. JOHN'S ARTEST TO GO PRO: **Ron Artest**, a third-team All-America last season as a sophomore, has decided to forego his final two seasons at St. John's and make himself eligible for the NBA draft, the school said Sunday. The 6-foot-6 swingman will announce his decision Tuesday.

LADY WARRIORS ANNOUNCE SIGNEES: East Central Community College has announced the following list of women's basketball signees: **Alberta Norman**, Newton; **Nicole Cox**, Lake; **Stephanie Harber**, Forest; **Opal Jones**, Scott Central; **Kitti Wilson**, Sebastopol; **Sharon Johnson**, South Leake; **Uri Honeysucker**, South Leake; **Jessica Sanders**, Edinburg; and **Juatesha Crockett**, Philadelphia.

TRIVIA ANSWER: Scotland's **Ian Woosnam** totaled 277 strokes to 278 for the Spaniard.

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Williams turns down offers

Sports with Marty Stamper

Anybody who has seen Randi Williams play basketball the last four years at Choctaw Central knows that she can flat out play.

She's a four-time all-stater and wrapped up her career with 1,495 points. During her four years, the Lady Warriors were 140-10 with three Class 2A state championships.

As a senior, Williams averaged 4.5 rebounds, 5.3 steals, and a whopping 8.9 assists.

Yet she didn't sign last Thursday. What's the deal?

Williams has committed to become a member of the 1999-2000 Lady Bulldog team at Mississippi State. She has agreed to walk-on her freshman redshirt year and is expected to receive a scholarship for the next four years.

"I have always wanted to play basketball at Mississippi State," Williams said. "When it came down to making a decision, I felt I would rather walk-on at State my first year and be able to play where my heart was than to accept a scholarship from another school and not be where I really wanted to be."

"Randi Williams is unique," Lady Warriors' coach Willis Tullos said. "Not only as a player but as a person. It's hard to find a player of her caliber that would make the decision she made. Her loyalty and her commitment to playing at Mississippi State is very strong.

"I can tell you one thing for sure, Mississippi State got a Christmas present in April. I hope that their fans and coaches appreciate the fact that Randi turned down scholarship offers from two other schools because of her tremendous desire to become a Lady Bulldog and continue to wear maroon and white."

• **Jenkins catches eye at UWA:** According to third-year University of West Alabama head football coach Bobby Johns, several Tigers have stepped to the forefront during spring preparations at the Livingston, Ala., school.

Among the players catching Johns' eye is offensive guard Ryan Jenkins of Philadelphia.

"We've been happy with the play of Ryan," Johns said.

• **Westside Park softball meeting:** The Westside Park adult softball organizational meeting will be held April 22 at 6 p.m. in the Booker T. Washington Annex Building.

All interested persons are asked to attend.

• **Dixie Youth Umpire Clinic Sunday:** There will be a Dixie Youth baseball umpire certification meeting at the Northside Park log cabin Sunday at 2 p.m.

Persons wishing to umpire Dixie Youth games must attend this meeting.

For more information, call Northside Park at 656-4101.

• **ECCC inks 19 for 1999-2000 basketball season:** East Central

and walks on at State

Community College men's basketball coach Jay Bowen signed 10 players while Lady Warriors' coach Sammy Pace inked nine for his 1999-2000 team.

Newcomers to the Warriors' roster are Romale Griffin and Chad Clemons of Philadelphia, Kellis Greer and Chris Webb of Neshoba Central, Matthew Roebuck of Newton County Academy, Kent Chamblee of AAA state champion Leake Academy, Dwayne Hughes of Sebastopol, Otha Lay of Lake, and Joey Mann and Brian Johnson of South Leake.

New Lady Warriors are Juatesha Crockett of Philadelphia, Stephanie Harber of Forest, Kitti Wilson of Sebastopol, Alberta Norman of Newton, Nicole Cox of Lake, Opal Jones of Scott Central, Sharon Johnson and Uri Honeysucker of South Leake, and Jessica Sanders of Edinburg.

• **Sportsmen Club Softball Tournament:** The Philadelphia Sportsmen Club will sponsor its annual men's slow-pitch softball tournament April 30-May 2 at Westside Park. Entry fee is $125.

First, second, and third-place trophies will be awarded plus a home run trophy and individual T-shirts to the championship team.

For more information, contact Paul Brass at 656-8206, Jerry Smith at 656-5733, Cecil Nichols at 656-1943, or Leon Baxstrum. Or you may call the Sportsmen Club at 656-7516 after 5 p.m.

• **EC golfers bring up the rear:** The East Central golf team finished sixth out of six teams in the Division III portion of the Rush-Meridian Community College Invitational Wednesday at Northwood Country Club.

Copiah-Lincoln was first followed by Southwest, Pearl River, Jones, East Mississippi, and ECCC.

Jonathan Mills of Philadelphia shot an 88 and Justin Williams of Union had an 89 to lead the Warriors.

• **Leake golfers sixth at Grenada:** Led by Jon Paul Rhea's 76, the Leake Academy Rebels placed sixth out of 15 teams in a tournament at Grenada Country Club last week.

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ECCC to host juco all-star hoops games

Some of the state's top junior college basketball talent will be on display on April 1 when the Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges All-Star Basketball Games are held at the Choctaw Central High School gymnasium.

Game times are 4 p.m. for the women and 6 p.m. for the men. Admission is $5 per person.

Serving for the second year as hosts of the annual event are the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, Silver Star Resort and Casino, and East Central Community College.

In addition to the all-star matchups, a men's slam dunk contest will take place during halftime of the women's game and a women's 3-point competition is scheduled during intermission of the men's game.

A free coaches' clinic is also scheduled on game day and will be held at the Silver Star Casino.

University of Memphis women's coach Joye McNelis is the featured speaker for the 3 p.m. session and will be followed by Duane Reboul, men's coach at Birmingham-South at 4 p.m.

A coaches' golf outing planned earlier in the day at Dancing Rabbit Golf Course.

For more information, contact East Central basketb coaches Sammy Pace or J Bowen at 1-877-462-3222, ex 246 or 243 or at P.O. Box 1 Decatur, MS, 39327.

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WEEK OF 2-22-99

EC teams end regular season

East Central Community College basketball teams ended regular season action Thursday night by taking two games from homestanding Crowley's Ridge Community College located in Paragould, Arkansas. Coach Sammy Pace led his Lady Warriors to an easy 76-43 victory, followed by an 89-78 decision by Jay Bowen's Warriors.

With the victories, the East Central women closed out season play with a 21-3 overall mark and a 10-2 division record, and the Warriors finished at 11-14 and 2-10.

In the Lady Warriors' win over Crowley's Ridge, scorers were Charissa Williams, 12; Wendy Mapp and Krystal Courtney, 11 each; Ellake Murray and LaShanta Lyles, seven each; Tonya Moncrief, Quintina Edwards and Sharae Brown, six each; Arletha Moncrief, three; and Tonya Viverette of South Leake, Felisha Temple and Marina Carter, two each.

East Central led 32-24 at halftime.

The Warriors were led in scoring by Demando Mingo of Choctaw Central who had 18 points. Other pointmakers were Ray Waddell and Otis Wallace, 14 each; Lamond Bowie, 11; Courtney Jones of South Leake, eight; Keith Bell of Choctaw Central, six; Ken Russell, five; Ashley McDougle, four; and Randy Tangle of Choctaw Central, two.

EC trailed 43-33 at the break.

In games played Monday, Feb. 8, East Central teams split decisions with homestanding Hinds Community College.

The Lady Warriors held on for a 77-75 victory while the Warriors were outscored 92-84.

The East Central women were led in scoring by Tonya Moncrief's 25 points.

Other scorers were Mapp, 24; Temple, 10; Murray, seven; Courtney, five; Williams and Sonya Pinkston, four each; and Brown and Lyles, two each.

The Lady Warriors held a 41-37 halftime advantage.

In the men's game, Mingo led the Warrior offensive attack with 19 points.

Also scoring were Bowie, 18; Russell, 14; Waddell, 10; Bell, seven; Wallace, six; Jones, five; McDougle, three; and Tangle, two.

EC trailed 41-36 at the half.

Both EC squads began the south tournament this week.

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WEEK OF 2/22/99

EC women fall in semis; qualify for Region 23 tourney

Despite losing 75-71 in a semifinal to Copiah-Lincoln in the MACJC South Division Tournament at Ellisville last week, the Lady Warriors of East Central Community College will play another day as they have qualified for the Region 23 Tournament, March 1-4, at Mississippi College in Clinton.

The Lady Warriors will carry a 22-4 record into the regional. Also in the regional are Copiah-Lincoln, Pearl River, East Mississippi, Itawamba, North-east, and Meridian.

The Warriors finished their season with an 11-15 record, losing 77-50 to second-seeded Gulf Coast in the first round of the division tournament.

• **Gulf Coast men 77, EC 50:** Gulf Coast led 32-22 at halftime in taking the Feb. 15 win.

EC, 11-15, got 19 points from Ken Russell, 12 from Demando Mingo, and five each from Ray Waddell and Otis Wallace.

• **EC women 81, Hinds 61:** The Lady Warriors improved to 22-3 with the Feb. 15 opening-round win over Hinds.

EC led by 10 (37-27) at halftime.

Tonya Moncrief led EC with 26 points. Sonya Pinkston scored 13, Wendy Mapp and Krystal Courtney both had 11, and Sharae Brown scored seven.

Pearlie Fairley led Hinds with 22 points.

• **Co-Lin women 75, EC 71:** The Lady Warriors were unable to hold a 37-32 halftime lead in Wednesday's semifinal loss to Co-Lin.

EC, 22-4, got 19 points from Krystal Courtney, 17 from Wendy Mapp, 13 apiece from Ellake Murray and Sharae Brown, and seven from Tonya Moncrief.

Co-Lin, 20-6, was led by Victoria Mason's 18 points.

The Lady Wolves of Co-Lin went on to win the South half tournament and opened the MACJC state tournament with a 83-54 bashing of East Mississippi Monday night in Wesson.

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WEEK OF 2-15-99

ECCC women win; men fall

From **Staff Reports**

The East Central Community College women's basketball team (22-3) advanced in the MJCA Division Tournament Monday by defeating Hinds Community College 81-61.

The ECCC men, however, were eliminated by Gulf Coast Community College 77-50.

• ECCC women 81, Hinds 61: ECCC led 37-27 at halftime.

Tonya Moncrief was the leading scoring for ECCC with 26 points, followed by Sonya Pinkston with 13 points, and Krystal Courtney and Wendy Mapp, each with 11 points.

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Pearlie Fairley led Hinds with 22 points.

ECCC returns to action Wednesday against Copiah-Lincoln Community College.

• **Gulf Coast men 77, ECCC 50**: Trailing 56-34 at the half, ECCC could not pull even with Gulf Coast.

Ken Russell was the only ECCC (11-15) player to reach double figures with 15 points.

John Hicks netted 15 points for Gulf Coast.

• MCC track team runs: The Meridian Community College track team competed in the Wallace-Hanceville (Ala.) Invitational on Monday.

Shadariack Nabea finished first in the 3000 meter with a time of 9:14. Gavin Bailey was third at 9:23 and Eric Tucker fourth at 9:45.

In the one-mile run, Andy Hoeniges was third at 4:40.

Tod Porter finished second in the 400 meter with a time of 52.96, while Rich Rogers finished first in the 100 meter run with a time of 2:30.26 — a national qualifier time.

In the 600 meter, Adonte West was first (1:21), followed by Jason Cage in second (1:22.12) and Jevon Johnson i third (1:22.51) — all wit national qualifier times.

Jerry Martin finished secon in the 200 meter run (21.64 while Everette Frazier came i third (21.80) — both wit national qualifier times.

In the high jump, Rasha Brown ended up in third with a attempt of 6 feet, 7 inches, also national qualifying attempt.

In women's action, MCC' Nadia Dunlop was third in th 400 meter (63.80), while Terr Jones won the 200 meter (25.7 and Latoya Jordan capturin the 600 meter run (1:38). Jone and Jordan both qualified.

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WEEK OF 2-8-99

East Central splits pair with host Hinds

East Central Community College split a pair of South Division junior college basketball games Monday night at Raymond, as the ECCC women knocked off homestanding Hinds 77-75, while the East Central men dropped a 92-84 decision.

In the women's game, ECCC eased out to a 41-37 lead in the first half and held on down the stretch to improve to 20-3 on the season.

Tonya Moncrief poured in a team-best 25 points, Wendy Mapp scorched the nets for 24 and Felicia Temple added 10 for the Lady Warriors.

In the men's game, East Central put four players in double figures, but still fell to 10-14 on the season. Demando Mingo led the Warriors with 19 points, Lamond Bowie added 18, Ken Russell 14 and Ray Waddell 10.

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WEEK OF 2-8-99

Warriors shock Co-Lin

The Lady Warriors of East Central Community College claimed a pair of South Division wins, while the Warriors posted a 2-1 week in last week's basketball action.

The Lady Warriors came into the final week of the 1998-99 regular season with a 19-3 overall record and a 9-2 division mark.

The Warriors shocked league-leading Copiah-Lincoln on Thursday to improve to 10-13 overall and 2-9 in the South half.

• **EC women 66, Southwest 51:** The Lady Warriors jumped out to a 27-16 halftime lead in beating Southwest on Feb. 1 in Decatur.

The Lady Warriors got 15 points from Wendy Mapp, 12 each from Felisha Temple and Sharae Brown, eight from Krystal Courtney, six from Tonya Moncrief, five from Charissa Williams, and four from Marina Carter.

Southwest was led by Misty Stevens' 16 points.

EC improved to 18-3 overall and 8-2 in the South Division.

• **Southwest men 94, EC 86:** The Bears took a 38-32 lead into halftime in taking the Feb. 1 win at Decatur.

EC got 23 points from Ken Russell, 17 from Lamond Bowie, 13 from Demando Mingo, 12 from Ray Waddell, 11 from Otis Wallace, and five apiece from Ashley McDougle and Courtney Jones.

Southwest got 32 points from Shuntell Mells, 24 from Jason Holmes, 15 from Brian Webb, and 11 from James Fountain.

EC fell to 8-13 overall and 1-9 in league play.

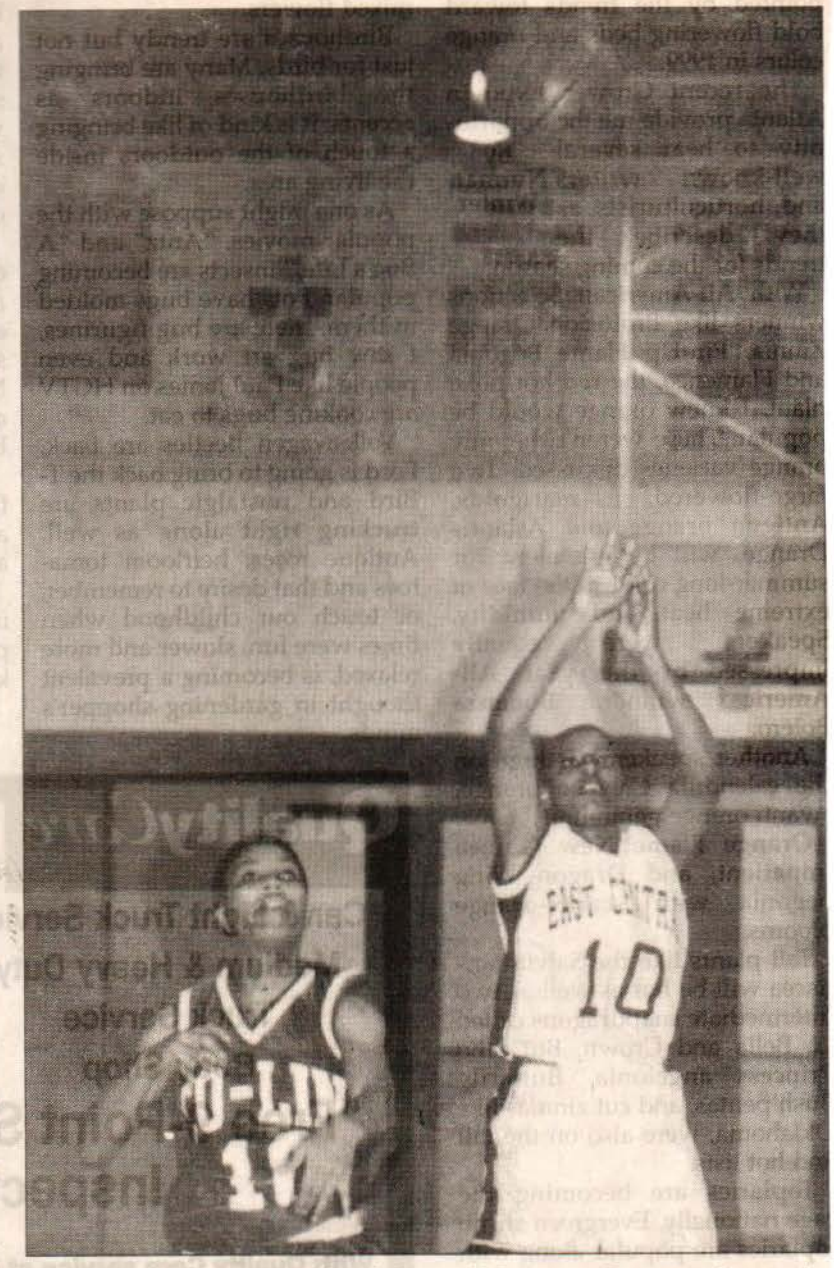
• **EC men 63, Miss. College JV 56:** The Warriors improved to 9-13 behind 23 points from Ken Russell in the Feb. 2 contest at Clinton.

The Warriors also got 12 points apiece from Lamond Bowie and Demando Mingo.

• **EC women 82, Co-Lin 79:** The Lady Warriors led by as much as 12 points in the first half before holding on to beat Co-Lin by three Thursday at Decatur.

EC took a 37-33 lead into halftime after a late rush by the Lady Wolves.

EC got 33 points from Wendy



ECCC's Felisha Temple, right, of Newton County shoots in the Lady Warriors' 82-79 win over Co-Lin on Thursday.

in 16 points, Tonya Moncrief had 15, and Sonya Pinkston and Krystal Courtney both added seven.

Co-Lin got 22 points from Katrina Dotson, 21 from Victoria Mason, and 14 from Ann Webster.

The Lady Warriors improved to 19-3 overall and 9-2 in the division while Co-Lin fell to 16-6 and 6-4.

• **EC men 65, Co-Lin 64:** Keith Bell snapped a 64-64 tie with a free throw with 9.8 seconds remaining as the Warriors shocked the league-leading Wolves Thursday night at Decatur.

final shot.

Co-Lin took a 30-24 lead into halftime and enjoyed a 10-point lead before the Warriors launched their successful comeback.

EC got 18 points from Demando Mingo, 11 from Ken Russell, eight from Ray Waddell, seven each from Courtney Jones and Keith Bell, and six each from Lamond Bowie and Otis Wallace.

Co-Lin got 23 points from Thomas Terrell, 16 from Broderick McCoy, and eight each from Curtis Walker and Ben Adams.

EC improved to 10-13 overall

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WEEK OF 2-8-99

EC teams sweep Co-Lin

The Warriors and Lady Warriors of East Central Community College swept visiting Copiah-Lincoln Community college in South Division action held Thursday night in the Brakeen-Wood Physical Education Building.

Sophomore Keith Bell of Choctaw Central sank one of two free throw attempts with six seconds left in the game to capture a close 65-64 win. Sophomore Wendy Mapp scored 33 points to lead the Lady Warriors to an 82-79 victory.

The ECCC men improved their record to 10-13 overall and 2-9 in south division competition. The EC women are 19-3 overall and 9-2 in the south division.

Demando Mingo of Choctaw Central led the Warriors in scoring with 18 points. Other scorers were Ken Russell of Newton County, 11; Ray Waddell of Philadelphia, eight; Courtney Jones of South Leake and Bell, seven each; Otis Wallace of Memphis, Tenn., and Lamond Bowie of Morton, six each; and Ashley McDougle of Morton, two.

East Central trailed 24-30 at halftime.

Other scorers for the Lady Warriors included Sharae Brown of Scott Central, 16; Tonya Moncrief of Newton, 15; Sonya Pinkston of Forest and Krystal Courtney of Holden, La., seven each; and Charissa Williams of Houma, La., and Ellake Murray of Scott Central, two each.

The Lady Warriors led 37-33 at halftime.

In games played earlier in the week, the ECCC teams split decisions with homestanding Southwest Community College.

The Lady Warriors, who picked up a 66-51 win against the Lady Bears, were led by Mapp's 15 points. Other pointmakers were Felshia Temple of Newton County and Brown, 12 each; Courtney, eight; T. Moncrief, six; Williams, five; Marina Carter of Philadelphia, four; Ellake Murray of Scott Central, and Pinkston, two each.

East central led 27-16 at halftime.

In men's action, Southwest slipped past the Warriors by a 94-86 margin. East Central scorers were Russell, 23; Bowie, 17; Mingo, 13; Waddell, 12; Wallace, 11; and Jones and McDougle, five each.

The Warriors trailed 32-28 at halftime.

In games this week, East Central wraps up regular season play by traveling to Hinds Community College in Utica on Monday, February 8, and Crowley's Ridge Community College in Arkansas on Thursday, February 11.

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East Central C.C. women win by 15

From **Staff Reports**

Wendy Mapp scored 15 points and both Sharae Brown and Felisha Temple added 12 points as East Central Community College defeated Southwest Community College 66-51 Monday night.

ECCC improved to 18-3 on the season.

At halftime, ECCC led Southwest 27-16.

Misty Stevens was the lone Southwest player in double figures with 16 points.

• Southwest men 94, ECCC 86: The East Central Community College men were't as successful Monday night, falling by eight points to Soutwest.

The loss drops ECCC to 7-13 on the season.

Despite the loss, ECCC placed five players in double figures, led by Ken Russell.

Russell netted 23 points, followed by Lamond Bowie with 17 points, Demando Mingo with 13 points, Ray Waddell with 12 and Otis Wallace with 11.

Leading all scorers was Southwest's Shuntell Mells, who scored 32 points.

Southwest's Jason Holmes added 24 points, followed by Brian Webb with 15 points and James Fountain with 11.

Southwest led 38-32 at the half.

ECCC's men and women return to action Thursday night at home against Copiah-Lincoln.

Copiah-Lincoln's women is one of only three teams to have beaten ECCC's women this season.

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WEEK OF 2-1-99

Lady Warriors defeat Jones and Gulf Coast

East Central Community College's Lady Warriors improved to 17-3 overall and 7-2 in South Division competition following wins over Jones and Gulf Coast in hoop action last week.

Ellake Murray of Scott Central and Wendy Mapp of Newton county tallied 15 points each and led the East Central women to an easy 95-55 win over the homestanding Lady Bobcats on January 28, and Tonya Moncrief of Newton pumped in 24 points to pace the Lady Warriors in their 77-71 victory over the visiting Lady Bulldogs January 25 in the Brakeen-Wood gym.

Other scorers in the Jones matchup were Tonya Moncrief, 13; Sonya Pinkston of Forest, 10; Sharae Brown of Scott Central, Charissa Williams of Houma, La., Krystal Courtney of Holden, La., and Quintina Edwards of Whistler, Ala.,eight points each; and LaShanta Lyles of Morton, Arletha Moncrief of Newton and Felisha Temple of Newton County, two each.

EC led 50-28 at halftime.

Also scoring in the win over Gulf Coast were Pinkston, 12; Courtney, 11; Brown, nine; Murray, eight; Mapp, five; Williams, four; Temple and Lyles, two each.

The Lady Warriors held a 39-35 advantage at the break.

In men's action, the Warriors dropped to 8-12 and 1-8 following losses to Jones (66-57) and Gulf Coast (51-47).

Pointmakers in the Jones' contest were Ken Russell of newton County, 13; Lamond Bowie of Morton and Demando Mingo of Choctaw Central, 11 each; Otis Wallace of Memphis, nine; Keith Bell of Choctaw Central, seven; Ray Waddell of Philadelphia, four; and Courtney Jones of South Leake, two.

The score was tied 23-23 at halftime.

Against Gulf Coast, EC socrers were Wallace, 12; Mingo, nine;, Bowie , eight; Bell, six; Russell and Waddell, five each; and Randy Tangle of Choctaw Central, two.

The Warriors led 25-22 at halftime.

In games this week East Central hosted Southwest on Monday, February 1 and entertains Co-Lin on Thursday,February 8. The Warriors played the Mississippi College junior varsity squad on Tuesday, February 2, in the A.E Wood Coliseum on the Clinton Campus.

Regular season action concludes the week of February 8 when both EC squads travel to Hinds(February 8) and Crowley's Ridge in Arkansas (February 11).

South Division Tournament action is scheduled February 15-18 at Jones County Junior College in Ellisville.

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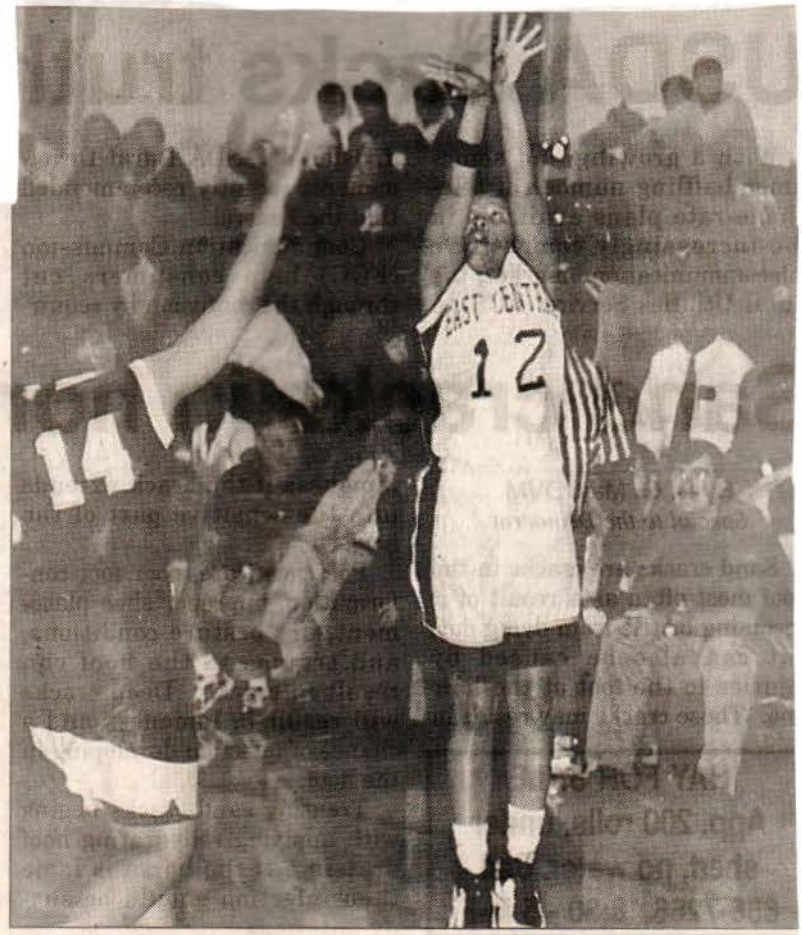

ECCC's Wendy Mapp (12) shoots from 3-point range.

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EC teams sweep Arkansas school

By MARTY STAMPER
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EC fell to 1-6 in the South Division with the loss.

• **Be Our Guest Night:** ECCC is hosting "Be Our Guest Night" for area high school seniors on Thursday, Feb. 4, during the basketball games with Copiah-Lincoln.

The special guests will b admitted free of charge to th annual event and will be reco nized during halftime activiti of each game. In addition, do prizes will be awarded throug out both contests.

The women's game tips off 6 p.m. with the men's set f 7:45.

For more informtion, conta the Student Services Office 635-2111 or call toll free at 1-87 462-3222, ext. 205.

Choctaw Central grad Demando Mingo (33) shoots fr behind the arc in EC's 76-59 win over Crowley's Ri College.

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East Central Sweeps Crowley's Ridge

The nationally ranked East Central Community College Women's basketball team began last week's action by outscoring visiting Crowley's Ridge Community College 106-53 on January 19, then concluded competition by falling to arch-rival Pearl River 76-59 January 21 in Poplarville.

Prior to the South Division matchup, the Lady Warriors shared first place honors with the Lady Wildcats and Copiah-Lincoln. The ECCC women, ranked 24th in the latest NJCAA poll, saw their record dip to 15-3 overall and 5-2 in league play.

In the win over Crowley's Ridge, Lady Warrior head coach Sammy Pace "cleared the bench" as each team member not only saw action but also scored. Susan Boatner of Clarkdale led East Central with a career-best 20 points. also scoring were LaShanta Lyles of Morton and Tonya Moncrief of Newton, 18 each; Tonya Viverette of South Leake, nine; Arletha Moncrief of Newton, Sharae Brown of Scott Central and Quintina Edwards of Vigor, Ala., six each; Felisha Temple of Newton County and Krystal Courtney of Holden, La., five each; Wendy Mapp of Newton County, Charissa Williams of Houma, La. and Ellake Murray of Scott Central, three each; and Sonya Pinkston of Forest and Marina Carter of Philadelphia, two each.

East Central led the Arkansas squad 63-32 at half-time.

Against Pearl River, Lady Warrior pointmakers were Courtney, 20; Ma;;, 16, Lyles, 13; Pinkston, Edwards and Tonya Moncrief, six each; Murray, four; and Brown two.

EC trailed 41-28 at the break.

In men's action last week, Jay Bowen's Warriors also defeated Crowley's Ridge and fell to Pearl River.

Ken Russell of Newton County pumped in 17 points to lead the Warriors in their 76-59 decision over the visiting Pioneers. Also scoring were Keith Bell of Choctaw Central and Lamond Bowie of Morton, 15 each; Otis Wallace of Memphis, 11; Demondo Mingo of Choctaw Central, nine; Courtney Jones of South Leake, four; Randy Tangle of Choctaw Central and Ray Waddell of Philadelphia, two each; and Ashley McDougle of Morton, one.

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Against Pearl River, the Warriors were clipped by a 58-56 margin. Pointmakers were Russell, 16; Bowie and Wallace, 11 each; Bell, 10; and

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WEEK OF 1-11-99

Lady Warriors are ranked 25th

The new year began on a successful note for the nationally ranked East Central Community College Lady Warriors who cruised past Miss. Delta's Lady Trojans by a 91-75 score. With the nondivision victory, the ECCC women, ranked 25th in the latest NJCAA poll, improved to 13-1 overall and remained 4-0 in South Division action. The Delta women fell to 3-8.

Sophomore Wendy Mapp of Newton county led the Lady Warriors in scoring with 33 points. Also scoring were Krystal Courtney of Holden, La.,19; LaShanta Lyles of Morton, 14; Sharae Brown of Scott Central, eight; Ellake Murray of Scott Central and Charissa Williams of Terrebonne, La., five each; Tonya Moncrief of Newton, three; and Sonya Pinkston of Forest and Quintina Edwards of vigor, Ala., two each.

East central led at halftime 45-30.

In men's action, the Warriors fell 99-77 to the visiting Trojans. With the loss East Central dropped to 6-8 overall while Delta improved to 5-12. The Warriors are winless in division competition.

Pointmakers for East Central were Ken Russell of Newton County, 22; Lamond Bowie of Morton, 15; Ray Waddell of Philadelphia, 14; Otis Wallace of Memphis, tenn., 10; Keith Bell of Choctaw Central and Courtney Jones of South Leake, eight each; and Randy Tangle of Choctaw Central, two.

In games this week, East Central traveled to Copiah-Lincoln on Monday and both men's and women's teams suffered defeat.

The Lady Warriors fell 76-58 and slipped to 13-2 overall. Scoring in double digits for the EC women were: Courtney, 16; Mapp,14; and Moncrief, 12. Others scoring included: Temple, five; Lyles, five; Murray, four; and Williams, two.

The Warriors lost 71-66. Russell, Bell and Wallace were in double digits with 18, 17, and 12 respectively. Jones netted eight and Bowie three. Demndo Mingo had six on the night and Ashley McDougle sank two.

ECCC will host Hinds on Thursday. The Warriors and Lady Warriors entertain Crowley's Ridge on Tuesday, January 19.

Game times are 6 p.m. for women's action with the men's contest scheduled to start at 7:45 p.m.

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EC women up record to 13-1 with win over Del

While the new year began on a successful note for the nationally-ranked Lady Warriors of East Central Community College, 1999 started much the same way 1998 ended for the Warriors as their losing streak grew to eight Saturday night.

The Lady Warriors posted a 91-75 win over Mississippi Delta while the Warriors suffered a 99-77 loss to the Trojans.

The Lady Warriors, ranked No. 25 in the NJCAA, improved to 13-1. The Warriors fell to 6-8. The Lady Warriors are 4-0 in the South Division while the Warriors are 0-4.

• **EC women 91, Miss. Delta 75:** Sophomore Wendy Mapp of Newton County scored 33 points in leading the Lady Warriors past Delta.

EC carried a 45-30 advantage into half-time.

The Lady Warriors also got 19 points from Krystal Courtney, 14 from LaShanta Lyle, eight from Sharae Brown, and five each from Ellake Murray and Charissa Williams.

In extending their win streak to 11, the Lady Warriors improved to 13-1.

The Lady Trojans fell to 3-8.

• **Miss. Delta men 99, EC 77:** The Trojans outscored the Warriors 55-42 in the second half of Saturday's contest in Decatur. Delta led 44-35 at the break.

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East Central streaks come to an end

By MARTY STAMPER
Democrat Sports Editor

The streaks are over in Decatur.

For the Warriors, that's good news as they snapped a nine-game skid with a 13-point win over Hinds.

The news wasn't so good for the Lady Warriors as they had an 11-game win streak broken at Copiah-Lincoln.

The Warriors came into this week with a 7-9 mark while the Lady Warriors were 14-2.

• **Co-Lin women 76, EC 58:** The Lady Warriors trailed by 10 (36-26) at halftime in Wesson on Jan. 11 as they had their 11-game win streak snapped.

EC, 13-2, got 16 points from Krystal Courtney, 15 from Wendy Mapp, 12 from Tonya Moncrief, and five each from LaShanta Lyles and Felisha Temple.

Co-Lin, 12-3, got 19 points from Ann Webster, 16 from Kristine Hollosy, and 10 from Victoria Mason.

• **Co-Lin men 71, EC 66:** The Warriors fell to 6-9 with the Jan. 11 loss at Wesson.

Keith Bell of Choctaw Central led EC with 19 points. Ken Russell scored 16, Otis Wallace had 12, Courtney Jones scored eight, and Demando Mingo had six.

Co-Lin, 12-3, got 18 points from Thomas Terrell, 17 from Calvert Sims, 14 from Broderick McCoy, and 11 from Reginald Patterson.

EC led 33-32 at halftime.

• **EC women 72, Hinds 61:** The Lady Warriors outscored Hinds 41-30 in the sec-

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ond half to take Thursday's win in Decatur after the teams entered halftime with a 31-31 deadlock.

EC, 14-2, got 16 points from Krystal Courtney, 12 from Tonya Moncrief, 11 from Sonya Pinkston, eight from Charissa Williams, seven from Quintina Edwards, and six from Ellake Murray.

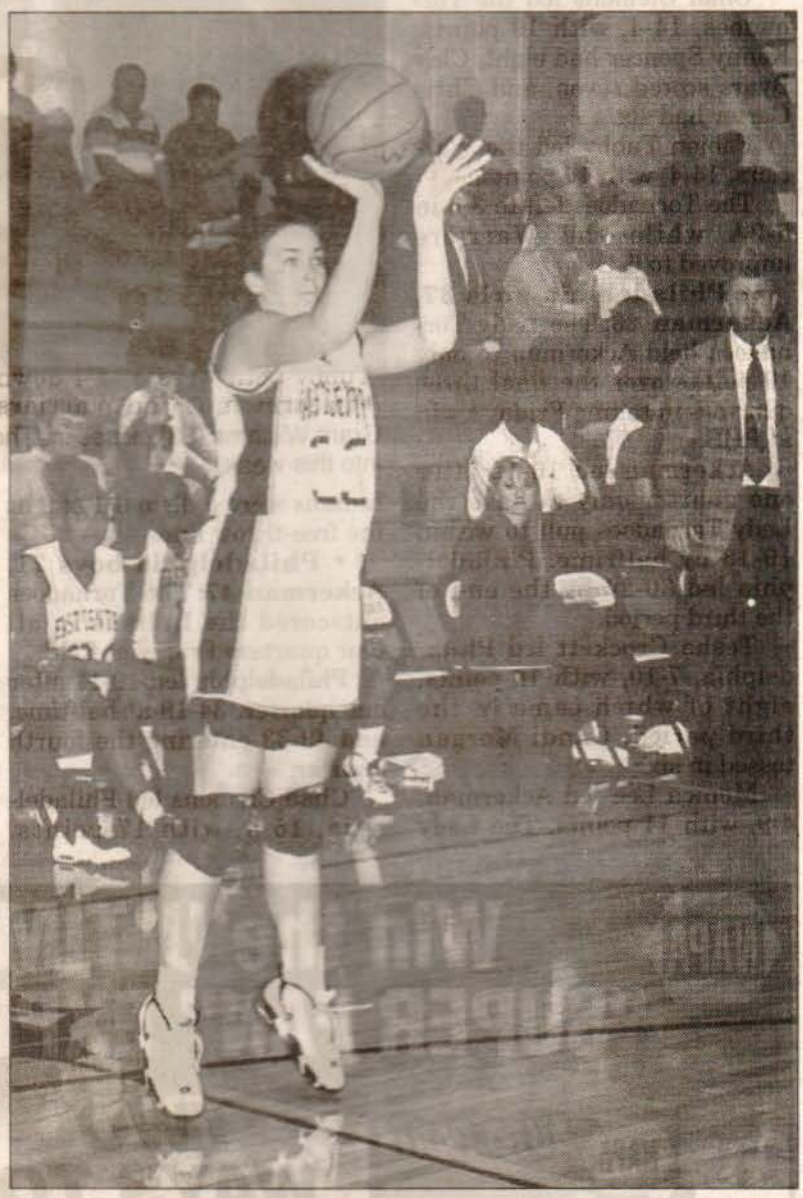
• **EC men 73, Hinds 60:** The Warriors snapped a nine-game losing streak with Thursday's win at Decatur.

EC led 38-27 at halftime in knocking off Hinds.

Five Warriors scored in double figures. Ken Russell scored 14, Keith Bell added 13, Demando Mingo scored 12, Lamond Bowie tossed in 11, and Otis Wallace had 10. Randy Tangle scored seven points.

Kendell Noel led Hinds with 13 points. Tommy Bullock scored 11.

The Warriors improved to 7-9 overall and 1-5 in the South Division.



East Central's Krystal Courtney fires from just inside the 3-point arc. The Lady Warriors are 14-2.

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WEEK OF 1-18-99

EC Warrior teams beat Hinds Eagles

DECATUR- It was a clean sweep for East Central Community College's basketball teams who took a pair of contests from visiting Hinds Community College in South Division action held Thursday night in the Brakeen-Wood Physical Education Building.

The Lady Warriors, led by sophomore Krystal Courntey's 18 points, broke open a tight first-half to claim a 72-61 win, while the Warriors snapped a nine-game losing skid to post a 73-60 victory. The ECCC women, ranked 21st in the latest NJCAA poll, improved their record to 14-2 overall and 5-1 in division play. The Warriors are 7-9 and 1-5.

In addition to Courtney, a sophomore from Holden, La., other Lady Warrior scorers were Sonya Pinkston of Forest, 11; Tonya Moncrief of Newton, 10; Charissa Williams of Houma, La., eight; Quinta Edwards of Whistler, Ala., seven; Ellake Murray of Scott Central, six; Arletha Moncrief of Newton, four; Felishia Temple of Newton County, and Sharae Brown of Scott Central, three each; and LaShanta Lyles of Morton, two.

The score was tied 31-31 at halftime.

Sophomore Ken Russell of Newton County led the Warriors with 14 points. Other pointmakers were Keith Bell of Choctaw Central, 13; Demando Mingo of Choctaw Central, 12; Lamond Bowie of Morton, 11; Otis Wallace of Memphis, Tenn., 10; Randy Tangle of Choctaw Central, seven; Courtney jones of South Leake, four; and Ray Waddell of Philadelphia, two.

East Central led 38-27 at halftime.

In games played earlier in the week, ECCC teams fell to homestanding Copiah-Lincoln.

The Lady Warriors, who dropped a 76-58 decision, were led by Courtney's 16 points. Other pointmakers were Wendy Mapp of Newton County, 15; Tonya Moncrief, 12; Lyles and Temple, five each; Murray, four; and Williams two.

East Central led 33-32 at halftime.

In games this week, East Central hosts Crowley's Ridge (Ark.) on Tuesday and travels to Pearl River on Thursday. Both teams entertain Gulf Coast squads on Monday, January 25. Tipoff for women's action is 6 p.m. followed by the men's contest at 7:45 p.m.

ECCC to offer evening classes at county vo-tech

Six evening classes are being offered this semester at the Forest/Scott County Vocational-Technical Center by East Central Community College in Decatur, announced Gene Davis, Director of Adult and Continuing Education.

Course offerings include EMT, English Composition II, Elementary Spanish I, Oral Communication, Intermediate Algebra and English Composition I.

Evening classes begin the week of January 18. The last day to register is Friday, January 22.

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WEEK OF 1-11-99

Karate chop defense

Chenoa Coleman, with the ball, catches a chop to the chin from a Macon Lady Viking during action in the finals of the East Central Tournament last week. Coleman led the Rebelettes with 23 points as they won 71-45.

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WEEK OF 1-4-99

Rebels finish 3rd at East Central

The Leake Academy Rebels couldn't nail a last second shot to beat University Christian in the second round of the East Central Community College MPSA Tournament last week, but did finish the three-day tournament with two wins, beating Winston 62-45 for third place overall.

Rebels 81
Macon 53

Leake opened the tournament with a convincing win over the Macon Central Vikings as 12 Rebels hit the scorers column.

It took Leake until the second quarter to take control of the Vikings, leading only 24-20 after one.

In that second period, the Rebels held Macon to 10 point while scoring 30 and never looked back.

In the second half, Leake outscored the Vikings 32-23 en route to a 28-point win.

Guy Wilson led the Rebs with 18 points, while Kent Chamblee added 17, Dusty Majure scored 11 and Brad Chaney finished with 10 points.

Derek Freeny narrowly missed double figures, scoring nine.

Taft Baker led Macon with 10

scored seven points and University posted 12.

With 30 seconds to go, Leake down by one with the ball, University forced a turnover and scored pushing the lead to three.

The Rebels came down and cut the lead to one again, then got the ball back with 12.9 seconds, still down by one.

Shepard explained, "We got a shot, it just wasn't a good one."

Jason King missed a jumper from the corner with under two seconds to play.

Shepard added, this is the first time this year's team has been in last-second shot situation.

"We didn't really have a plan for it. We do now."

"The more times we get into those types of situations, we'll be a better team for it," he concluded.

Chamblee led Leake with 18 points, while Wilson added 11 and Majure finished with nine.

Rebels 62
Winston 45

In the consolation, or third-place game, Leake experienced a similar situation to the night before.

After building a halftime lead,

Pets that roam outdoors are susceptible to winter dangers, said Dr. Cory Langston of Mississippi State University's College of Veterinary Medicine.

"Outside cats often will climb into engine compartments of cars to stay warm," says Langston, who's seen many cases of cats caught in fan belts and engine parts.

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WEEK OF 10-18-99

East Central Community College Warriors

Members of the 1999-2000 East Central Community College men's basketball team include (seated, from left) trainer/manager LeeAnn Pittman of Heidelberg Academy, Shawn Moss of Alleghany (Virginia) High School, Arral Parkerson of Neshoba Central, Mile Batalo of Belgrade (Yugolavia), Kellis Greer of Neshoba Central, Chad Clemons of Philadelphia, Matthew Roebuck of Newton county Academy, Stanley Lloyd of Forrest City (Arkansas) and student assistant Patrick Wilcher of Edinburg; and (standing, from left) head coach Jay Bowen, assistant coach Brad Hodge, Dewayne Hughes of Sebastopol, Joe Copeland of Emerson (Arkansas), Kent Chamblee of Leake Academy, Lamond Bowie of Morton, Chris Webb of Neshoba Central, Otha Lay of Lake, student assistant Wes Evans of Jackson Academy and head athletic trainer Joey McLeod of Rush Sports Medicine. The Warriors begin season action Monday, November 1 when they participate in the Jones County Junior College Tipoff Tournament in Ellisville.(Photo courtesy of ECCC)

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WEEK OF 10-18-99

East Central Community College Lady Warriors

Members of the 1999-2000 East Central Community College women's basketball team include (seated from left) manager Amy Arinder of Morton, Nicole Cox of Lake, Becky Killen of Sebastopol, Latita Ringo of Scott Central, Opal Jones of Scott Central, Jessica Sanders of Edinburg, Leah Fulcher of Winston Academy, Margo Porter of Louisville, Alberta Norman of Newton and Tonya Viverette of South Leake; and (standing, from left) managers Brittany Boney and LeeAnn Pittman, both of Heidelberg Academy; Sasha Lilly of Shelby County, (Alabama), Jautesha Crockett of Philadelphia, Anna Udicova of Presov (Slovokia), Tonya Moncrief of Newton, LaShanta Lyles of Morton, Stephanie Harber of Forest and Kristi Moore of Noxapater. Sammy Pace serves as head coach and Brad Hodge serves as an assistant. The Lady Warriors begin season action Monday, November 1, when they participate in the Jones County Junior College Tipoff Tournament in Ellisville.(Photo courtesy of ECCC)

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WEEK OF 11-2-99

ECCC looks for good hoops year

Both East Central Community College basketball teams are expecting good seasons this winter.

The Lady Warriors had a 22-5 record last year and could equal or better that mark this time despite the loss of all five starters.

"All five starters are gone from last year's squad and we have 11 freshmen on this year's squad," Lady Warriors coach Sammy Pace said. "Despite the inexperience, the ladies will be fun to watch. They will be very up-tempo with a blend of perimeter scoring and inside power to create difficulties defensively for opponents.

"However, with youth and inexperience there will be some growing pains throughout the season which can help us when tournament time rolls around in February."

Sophomore players include centers LaShanta Lyles (6-foot-1) of Morton and Tonya Moncrief (6-2) of Newton and guards Latita Ringo (5-4) of Scott Central and Tonya Viverette (5-7) of South Leake.

Freshmen are guards Becky Killen (5-5) of Sebastopol, Nicole Cox (5-3) of Lake, Leah Fulcher (5-7) of Winston Academy, Kristi Moore (5-4) of Noxapater, Margo Porter (5-7) of Louisville, and Jessica Sanders (5-5) of Edinburg; forwards Jautesha Crockett (5-9) of Philadelphia, Stephanie Harber (5-8) of Forest, and Alberta Norman (5-11) of Newton; guard/forward Sasha Lilly (5-9) of Shelby County, Ala.; and forward/center Anna Udicova (6-2) of Presov, Slovokia.

Meanwhile, the Warriors are anxious to climb the South Division standings ladder after finishing in the basement the last two seasons. They were 11-15 last year under Jay Bowen and 11-16 in 1997-98 for Marty Cooper.

However, both of those teams went 2-10 against South Division opponents.

"The men's basketball program has just completed a tough six week conditioning program," Bowen said. "The players were very energetic and enthusiastic and did a great job. Our regular practice began on Oct. 1 and the players have done everything the staff has asked.

"Our recruiting goal this past year was to get bigger and deeper and we accomplished these goals. Our post players will give us a true inside threat and our guards will provide that outside punch. This group has worked extremely hard on the defensive end. They are eagerly awaiting the start of our season."

Sophomores are point guard Lamond Bowie (6-1) of Morton and wing Arral Parkerson (6-1) of Neshoba Central who transferred to EC from Meridian Community College.

Freshman players are wings Otha Lay (5-8) of Lake, Stanley Floyd (6-5) of Forrest City, Ark., Romale Griffin (6-4) of Philadelphia, Shawn Moss (6-6) of Alleghany, Va., and Chris Webb (6-0) of Neshoba Central; posts Chad Clemons (6-8) of Philadelphia, Kellis Greer (6-6) of Neshoba Central, Mike Batalo (6-10) of Belgrade, Yugoslavia, and Matthew Roebuck (6-10) of Newton County Academy; point guards Joe Copeland (5-9) of Emerson, Ark., Kent Chamblee (5-11) of Leake Academy, and Willis Barton (5-10) of South Leake.

Both EC teams participated in tournament action at Jones on Monday and Tuesday. They will host East Mississippi in the home opener Friday night with the Lady Warriors tipping off at 6 p.m.

Assisting both teams is Brad Hodge.

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WEEK OF 11-2-99

EC basketball teams begin

The East Central Community College basketball teams don't plan on letting the Warrior football squad take all the glory this year at the Decatur school.

The Lady Warriors of ECCC had a 22-5 record last basketball season. That mark could be matched or bettered by this year's team despite the loss of all five starters.

"All five starters are gone from last year's squad and we have 11 freshmen on this year's squad," Lady Warriors coach Sammy Pace said. "Despite the inexperience, the ladies will be fun to watch. They will be very up-tempo with a blend of perimeter scoring and inside power to create difficulties defensively for opponents.

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On the other hand, the Warriors are anxious to climb the South Division standings ladder after finishing in the cellar the last two seasons.

They were 11-15 last year under Jay Bowen and 11-16 in 1997-98 for Marty Cooper. Of those 22 wins, however, only four were against South Division foes as EC posted back to back 2-10 league marks.

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WEEK OF 11-8-99

EC men off to 3-0 start; Lady Warriors 2-1

The East Central Community College basketball teams opened their 1999-2000 basketball seasons last week.

The Warriors won all three of their games while the Lady Warriors went 2-1.

In this week's action, EC hosts Bishop State Thursday at 5:15 p.m. and Holmes Saturday at 1 p.m.

• **Delgado women 93, East Central 91:** The Lady Warriors dropped their season opener at Ellisville on Nov. 1.

EC got 19 points apiece from Tonya Moncrief and Margo Porter, 12 each from Anna Udicova and Sasha Lilly, eight from Nicole Cox, six from Jautesha Crockett, and five each from Becky Killen and Alberta Norman.

• **East Central men 101, Delgado 89:** Arral Parkerson scored 23 points to lead the Warriors to the Nov. 1 season-opening win at Ellisville.

Otha Lay added 19 points against the Dolphins. Mile Batalo and Lamond Bowie both scored 15, Shawn Moss had seven, Matthew Roebuck and Chad Clemons both had six, and Kent Chamblee had five.

EC led 48-35 at halftime.

• **East Central women 80, Coahoma 58:** Margo Porter led EC past Coahoma with 15 points in the Nov. 2 contest at Ellisville.

Tonya Moncrief had 13, Nicole Cox scored 11, Anna Udicova had 10, Sasha Lilly and Letitia Ringo both had six, and Becky Killen had five as the Lady Warriors evened their record at 1-1.

EC led 36-27 at halftime.

• **East Central men 69, Coahoma 64:** Arral Parkerson again led EC with 19 points in the Nov. 2 win at Ellisville.

The Warriors also got 11 points from Shawn Moss, nine from Lamond Bowie, eight from Matthew Roebuck, and six each from Joe Copeland and Otha Lay.

The Warriors trailed Coahoma 36-29 at halftime.

• **East Central women 67, East Mississippi 52:** The Lady Warriors took their home opener Friday night behind the 14-point effort of Tonya Moncrief.

Anna Udicova and Alberta Norman tossed in 11 points apiece for EC, 2-1. Nicole Cox added 10, Margo Porter had nine, and Stephanie Harber and Sasha Lilly both scored five.

East Mississippi got 11 points from Tamika Davis and 10 from Kim Davis.

The Lady Warriors held a 41-27 advantage at halftime.

• **East Central men 94, East Mississippi 88:** Lamond Bowie scored 26 points to lead the Warriors to Friday's win at Decatur.

East Mississippi led by eight (49-41) at halftime.

Otha Lay added 19 points for the Warriors as they improved to 3-0. Mile Batalo scored 13, Arral Parkerson had 12, Shawn Moss scored 11, and Chris Webb had seven.

East Mississippi got 24 points from James Lewis and 14 from Thomas Reed.

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WEEK OF 11-8-99

ECCC basketball teams win in Jones Tourney

Basketball season began on a successful note for the East Central Community College Warriors who defeated Delgado (La.) and Coahoma in the Jones County Junior College Tournament held on the Ellisville campus November 1-2.

Arral Parkerson, a former Neshoba Central standout pumped in 19 points and led EC to a 69-64 win over Coahoma on November 2, and led the Warriors with 23 points in a 101-89 thrashing of Delgado the previous day.

Other scorers in the Coahoma contest were Shawn Moss of Lynchburg, Va., 11; Lamond Bowie of Morton, nine; Matthew Roebuck of Newton County Academy, eight; Joe Copeland of Emerison, Ark., and Otha Lay of Lake, six each; Mile Batalo of Belgrade, Yougoslavia, four; and Kent Chamblee of Leake Academy and Chris Webb of Neshoba Central, three each. Kellis Greer of Neshoba Central also saw action.

Coahoma led 36-29 at halftime.

Against Delgado, other Warrior point makers were Lay, 19; Batalo and Bowie, 15 each; Moss, seven; Chad Clemons of Philadelphia and Roebuck, six each. Chamblee, five; Webb, three; and Greer, two. Copeland also saw action.

The Warriors held a 48-35 advantage at the break.

The Lady Warriors rebounded from a season opening 93-91 loss to Delgado by thumping Coahoma 80-58 to conclude tournament play at Jones.

In the win over Coahoma, Margo Porter of Louisville was the leading scorer with 15 points. Other scorers were Tonya Moncrief of Newton, 13; Nicole Cox of Lake, 11; Anna Udicova of Presov, Slovokia, 10; Letitia Ringo of Scott Central and Sasha Lilly of Shelby County, Ala., six each; Becky Killen of Sebastopol, five; Lashanta Lyles of Morton and Jautesha Crockett of Philadelphia, four each; Jessica Sanders of Edinburg, three; Tonya Viverette of South Leake, two; and Alberta Norman of Newton, one. Kristi Moore of Noxapater and Stephanie Harber of Forest also saw action.

The Lady Warriors led 36-27 at halftime.

In the loss to Delgado, EC point makers were Moncrief and Porter, 19 each; Udicova and Lilly, 12 each; Cox eight; Crockett, six; Killen and Norman, five each; and Leath Fulcher of Winston Academy and Harber, two each and Sanders, one.

EC led 46-33 at the break.

East Central hosts East Mississippi on Friday, November 5; travels to Holmes on Monday November 8; and entertains Bishop State (Ala.) beginning at 5:15 Thursday, November 11.

The Warrior basketball teams gave rival east Mississippi a taste of "home cooking" Friday night as the lady Warriors and Warriors posted victories at East Central.

The men, led by Morton sophomore Lamond Bowie's 26 points rallied from an eight-point halftime deficit to claim a 94-88 decision while Tonya Moncrief of Newton pumped in 14 points to lead the Lady Warriors in a 67-52 win.

Also scoring for the mens team was freshman Otha Lay of Lake with 19 points.

Nicole Cox of lake added 10 points in the girls game while Stephanie Harber of Forest added five points to the teams tally.

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WEEK OF Nov. 15, 1999

East Central teams sweep Holmes, Bishop State

East Central Community College basketball teams closed out last week's action by sweeping visiting squads from Holmes Community College and Bishop State, Ala.

Morton product Lamond Bowie scored 13 points and led East Central to a 72-69 nail biter over Holmes Saturday afternoon, while Tonya Moncrief of Newton tallied 12 points to lead the Lady Warriors in a 57-40 thumping of the Lady Bulldogs.

Also scoring for the Warriors, who improved to 5-1, were Otho Lay of Lake, 10; Joe Copeland of Emerson, AR, Arral Parkerson f Neshoba Central, Shawn Moss of Lynchburg, Va and Mile Batalo of Belgrade, Yugoslavia, eight each; Chad Clemons of Philadelphia, six; Matthew Roeback of Newton County Academy, five; and Chris Webb of Neshoba Central, two.

* Other point makers for the Lady Warriors, who improved 4-2, were Stephanie Harber of Forest, 11; Becky Killen of Sebastopol, eight; Alberta Norman of Newton and Sasha Lilly of Columbian, AL, seven each; Tesha Crockett of Philadelphia, six; and Leah Fulcher of Winston Academy and Nicole Cox of Lake, three each.

East Central held a slim 23-21 advantage at intermission.

In games with Bishop State Thursday night, the Warriors cruised to a 93-67 win and the Lady Warriors posted an easy 88-63 victory.

Warrior points were Lay and Batalo, 17 each; Web, 16; Moss, 13; Kent Chamblee of Leake Academy, eight; Kellis Greer of Neshoba Central, six; Copeland, five; Roebuck, four; Stanley Ford of Forrest City, AR, three: and Bowie and Clemons. two

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In games scheduled this week, East Central travel to East Mississippi on Monday, Nov. 15 and journeys to MS Delta on Thursday, Nov. 18. Both teams will again be on the road Monday, Nov. 22 for a rematch with Bishop State, and for the division opener with Pearl River on Tuesday,

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East Central led 45-33 at the half.

Other point makers for the Lady Warriors, who improved to 4-2, were Stephanie Harber of Forest, 11; Becky Killen of Sebastopol, eight; Alberta Norman of Newton and Sasha Lilly of Columbiana, Al., seven each; Tesha Crockett of Philadelphia, six; and Leah Fulcher of Winston Academy and Nicole Cox of Lake, three each.

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East Central led 50-24 at intermission.

Lady Warrior scorers were Moncrief, 28; Cox, 20; Norman, 15; Anna Udicova of Presov, Slovokia, eight; Margo Porter of Louisville, four; Fulcher, three; and Harber, Killen, Lilly, Crockett and LaShanta Lyles of Morton, two each.

East Central held a 37-24 halftime advantage.

In games this week, East Central traveled to East Mississippi on Monday November 15 and journeys to Mississippi Delta on Thursday, November 18. Both teams will again be on the road Monday, November 22 for a rematch with Bishop State, and for the division opener with Pearl River on Tuesday, November 30.

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WEEK OF 11-15-99

ECCC teams both have 2-1 week

Both the Warriors and Lady Warriors of East Central Community College went 2-1 in last week's basketball action.

The Lady Warriors brought a 4-2 record into this week while the Warriors held a 5-1 mark.

• **Holmes women 53, EC 51:** The Lady Warriors fell to 2-2 with the Nov. 8 loss at Goodman.

EC got 19 points from Nicole Cox, nine from Anna Udicova, six from Tonya Moncrief, five from Margo Porter, and four from Becky Killen.

Holmes, 1-2, led 22-20 at halftime.

• **Holmes men 77, EC 69:** The Warriors suffered their first loss after three wins on Nov. 8 at Goodman.

Holmes led 29-27 at halftime.

EC got 15 points from Arral Parkerson, 14 from Lamond Bowie, 11 from Otha Lay, seven from Joe Copeland, six each from Shawn Moss and Matthew Roebuck, and five from Kent Chamblee.

Rod Newton led Holmes with 26 points.

• **EC women 88, Bishop State 63:** Tonya Moncrief scored 28 points and Nicole Cox added 20 to lead the Lady Warriors to Thursday's win in Decatur.

EC, 3-2, also got 15 points from Alberta Norman and eight from Anna Udicova.

EC led 37-24 at halftime.

• **EC men 93, Bishop State 67:** Otha Lay and Mile Batalo both scored 17 points and Chris Webb added 16 to lead the Warriors in Thursday's win in Decatur.

EC, 4-1, led 50-24 at halftime.

The Warriors also got 13 points from Shawn Moss, eight from Kent Chamblee, six from Kellis Greer, five from Joe Copeland, and four from Matthew Roebuck.

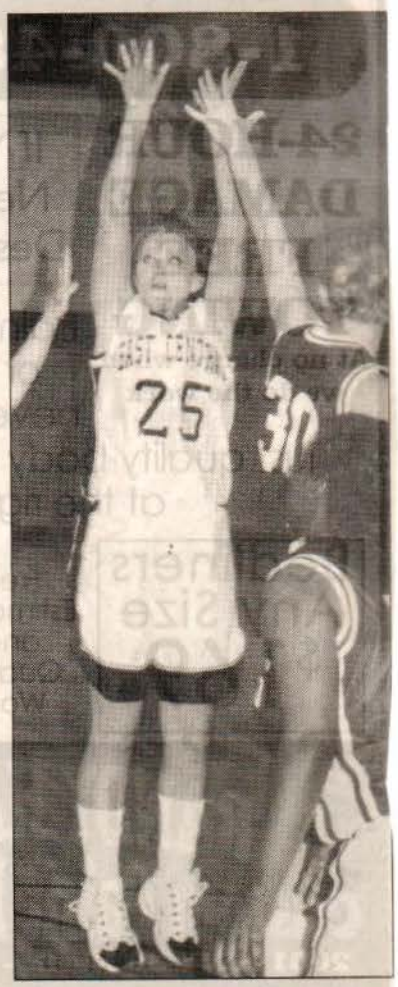
• **EC women 57, Holmes 40:** The Lady Warriors improved to 4-2 with Saturday's home win.

EC held a slim 23-21 halftime advantage.

The Lady Warriors got 12 points from Tonya Moncrief, 11 from Stephanie Harber, eight from Becky Killen, seven each from Sasha Lilly and Alberta Norman and six from Jautesha Crockett.

• **EC men 72, Holmes 69:** The Warriors built a 45-33 halftime lead and held off a late rally by Holmes to take Saturday afternoon's contest in Decatur.

EC got 13 points from Lamond Bowie, 10 from Otha Lay, eight apiece from Arral Parkerson, Joe Copeland, Shawn Moss, and Mile Batalo, six from Chad Clemons, and five from Matthew Roebuck as the Warriors improved to 5-1.



Stephanie Harber shoots a free-throw jumper in EC's 57-40 win over Holmes.

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WEEK OF 11-22-99

EC women gain two wins, men drop two game

East Central Community College's Lady Warriors improved their season record to 6-2 following a 95-79 thumping of Mississippi Delta Nov. 18.

Sasha Lilly blistered the backboards for 34 points to lead EC. Also scoring for the Lady Warriors were Nicole Cox, 18; and Tonya Moncrief, 17. EC led 55-36 at the break.

In men's action, the Warriors were defeated 119-107 in overtime. Otha Lay pumped in 24 points to lead EC, now 5-3. Other point makers were Lamond Bowie, 16; Arral Parkerson and Mile Batalo, 12 each; and Shawn Moss, 11. East Central held a 45-39 halftime advantage.

The Lady Warriors clipped homestanding East Mississippi 72-68 on Nov. 15.

Moncrief led EC with 28 points in the four-point victory. Also scoring were Porter and Cox, 11 each. EC led 40-2 intermission.

The Warriors evened t season mark with the r Lions, as they fell 87 Pointmakers were Copel 16; and Lay, 12. Mississippi led 40-35 at h time.

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WEEK OF 11-22-99

East Central women win pair

The Lady Warriors of East Central Community College claimed a pair of victories last week to up their season's record to 6-2.

The Lady Warriors knocked off East Mississippi and Mississ-ippi Delta in last week's games.

The Warriors lost both of their games as they fell to 5-3.

• **EC women 72, East Mississippi 68:** The Lady Warriors got 28 points from University of Illinois-Chicago signee Tonya Moncrief of Newton in winning at Scooba on Nov. 15.

EC led 40-29 at halftime.

EC, 5-2, also got 11 points apiece from Margo Porter and Nicole Cox, eight from Anna Udicova, and four each from Stephanie Harber, Alberta Norman, and Leah Fulcher.

East Mississippi, 0-4, got 22 points from Kim Davis.

• **East Mississippi men 87, EC 75:** The host Lions carried a 40-35 lead into halftime at Scooba on Nov. 15 and extended their advantage to 12 points in the second half for the win.

EC, 5-2, got 16 points from Joe Copeland, 12 from Otha Lay, nine each from Matthew Roebuck and Shawn Moss, eight from Mile Batalo, six from Arral Parkerson, five from Chris Webb, and four from Nicholls State University signee Lamond Bowie.

James Lewis led East Mississ-ippi, 1-2, with 18 points. McKenzie Nash had 13.

• **EC women 95, Miss. Delta 79:** Sasha Lilly of Columbiana, Ala., scored 34 points as the Lady Warriors improved to 6-2 with Thursday's win at Moorhead.

EC also got 18 points from Nicole Cox, 17 from Tonya Moncrief, eight from Leah Fulcher, six from Becky Killen, five from Alberta Norman, and four from Margo Porter.

EC carried a 55-36 advantage into halftime.

• **Miss. Delta men 119, EC 107 (OT):** Otha Lay scored 24 points in the Warriors' loss Thursday at Moorhead. The Warriors fell to 5-3 with the defeat.

Lamond Bowie added 16 points for EC. Arral Parkerson and Mile Batalo both had 12, Shawn Moss scored 11, Joe Copeland had nine, Chris Webb scored eight, Chad Clemons added six, Kent Chamblee had five, and Matthew Roebuck had four.

East Central's Becky Killen shoots for two points during a recent win over Holmes.

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WEEK OF 11-29-99

Lake's Otha Lay saves the day for the Warriors

Otha Lay's three-point shot as time expired gave East Central Community College a hard-fought win over Bishop State Community College November 22 on the Mobile, Alabama campus. Lay, a freshman from Lake, had 13 total for the Warriors, who improved to 6-3.

In addition to Lay, other pointmakers were Arral Parkerson of Neshoba Central, 16; Shawn Moss of Lynchburg, Virginia, 13; Lamond Bowie of Morton, nine; Joe Copeland of Emerson, Arkansas, seven; Kent Chamblee of Leake Academy, five; Mile Batalo of Belgrade, Yugoslavia, four; Chris Webb of Neshoba Central, three; and Matthew Roebuck of Newton County Academy, two. Kellis Greer of Neshoba Central also saw action.

Bishop State led 34-33 at half-time.

In women's action, the Lady Warriors dropped a 75-66 decision and fell to 6-3. Scorers were Nicole Cox of Lake, 27; Sasha Lilly of Columbiana, Alabama, 20; Stephanie Harber of Forest, six; Becky Killen of Sebastopol, five; Alberta Norman of Newton, three; Margo Porter of Louisville and Tesha Crockett of Philadelphia, two each; and Leah Fulcher of Winston Academy, one.

Bishop State led 40-30 at halftime.

Both EC squads begin South Division competition by traveling to Pearl River community college on Tuesday, November 30. east central hosts Gulf coast on Thursday, December 2, and journeys to Jones County Junior College on Monday, December 6.

Tip off for the women's game is 6 p.m. followed by men's action at 7:45 p.m.

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WEEK OF 12-1-99

ECCC tourney continues

By **Jamey Lanier**
The Meridian Star

DECATUR — The men's side of the Central Mississippi Classic had four top-seeded teams in action Friday night battling for two spots in tonight's championship game.

• **South Leake 68, Forest 55:** South Leake was led by Kalus Johnson with 19 points and Gibson added 18.

Forest was led by Corey Hughes with 14 points and John Burns with 13.

• **Neshoba Central 36, Newton County 29**: With a score that sounds more like a good football game, Neshoba Central used ball control and defense to hold the Cougars to just 10 first-half points.

Javarnes Walker led Neshoba Central with 13. Newton County was led by Victor Temple's 15.

• **Lake 56, Carthage 47**: Lake jumped out to a nine-point, first-quarter lead and made nine points stand up in the end.

Lake was led by Mareo Rogers with 22. Marlon Williams threw in 15.

Wallace Alexander led Carthage with 12.

• **Newton 78, Edinburg 43**: Demano Quals led Newton with 17 points, while 12 of Newton's 13 players scored in the game. Edinburg was led by Shane Estes with 21.

Girls

• **Newton County 53, Forest 50**: Tamekia Foley hit for 18 points, while Forest was paced by Pandasala McClendon's 16 points and Sophia Gray had 11.

Newton County will face Neshoba Central in the championship game at 7 tonight.

• **Neshoba Central 63, Scott Central 41**: Tausha Evans scored 24 and Erica Tullos pitched in 21 for Neshoba Central. Clarissa Murrell had 19 for the Lady Rebels.

• **South Leake 55, Lake 42**: South Leake was led by Miloshea White with 24 points. Lake was led by Kimyatta Viverette with 21.

• **Newton 66, Edinburg 29**: Newton was led by Creosha Williams' 25 points while Janette Robinson scored 12 for Edinburg.

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WEEK OF Dec. 13, 1999

East Central Lady W

East Central Community College's Lady Warriors posted victories over Southwest and Jones last week and improved their South Division mark to 3-1.

Against the visiting Lady Bears on December 9, Tonya Moncrief of Newton pumped in 17 points and led East Central to an easy 68-55 win. Also scoring were Sasha Lilly of Columbiana, Alabama, 12; Margo Porter of Louisville, 10; Nicole Cox of Lake, nine; Stephanie Harber of Forest, seven; Tesha Crockett of Philadelphia and Becky Killen of Sebastopol, four each; Jessica Sanders of Edinburg, three; and Alberta Norman of Newton, two.

Southwest led 28-27 at halftime.

Moncrief was also the leading scorer in East Central's 74-66 thumping of Jones on December 6 in Ellisville, Other point makers 13; Lilly and Crock and Killen, two.

Jones led 37-33 a

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WEEK OF Dec. 13, 1999

Lady Warriors take 2 of 3

By MARTY STAMPER
Democrat Sports Editor

The Lady Warriors of East Central Community College went 2-1 in last week's basketball action to take a 9-5 record into the holidays.

The Warriors went 0-3 as they fell to 6-8.

• **EC women 74, Jones 66:** The Lady Warriors placed five players in double figures in taking the Dec. 6 win at Ellisville.

EC outscored Jones 41-29 in the second half for the South Division victory.

Tonya Moncrief led EC, 8-4, with 19 points. Nicole Cox scored 14, Margo Porter had 13, and Jautesha Crockett and Sasha Lilly both had 10. Alberta Norman tossed in six.

Yvonne Phillips and Tammika Sims both had 18 points for Jones, 9-2, while Erika Slayton added 16.

• **Jones men 87, EC 68:** Jones used a 52-30 second half advantage to beat the Warriors on Dec. 6 at Ellisville.

EC led 38-35 at halftime.

EC, 6-6, got 14 points apiece from Arral Parkerson and Shawn Moss. Chris Webb scored eight, Lamond Bowie had seven, Joe Copeland and Mile Batalo both had six, Chad Clemons had five, and Otha Lay added four.

Jones had five players in double figures. Brad Richardson and Lacedrick Pettway both scored 16, Scottie Faulkner had 14, Stacey Keyes added 12, and Derrick White had 10.

• **EC women 68, Southwest 55:** The Lady Warriors outscored Southwest 41-27 in the second half to take Thursday's league win in Decatur.

Tonya Moncrief led the Lady Warriors, 9-4, with 17 points. Sasha Lilly added 12, Margo Porter scored 10, Nicole Cox had nine, Stephanie Harber had seven, and Becky Killen and Jautesha Crockett both added four.

Southwest, 9-2, got 16 points from Erika Rogers and 14 from Terri Wheat.

• **Southwest men 96, EC 80:** Southwest, 7-4, got 31 points from Zebton Wells and 20 from Ron Rubin in taking Thursday's South Division contest in Decatur.

The Bears closed the first half with a 14-4 run to take a 46-32 advantage into halftime.

Lamond Bowie had 16 points for EC, 6-7. Mile Batalo scored 14, Shawn Moss had 13, Arral Parkerson and Matthew Roebuck both added nine, Chris Webb had seven, and Joe Copeland scored four.

• **Wallace-Hanceville women 80, EC 67:** Wallace State led 31-22 at halftime in taking Saturday's win at Hanceville, Ala.

EC, 9-5, got 22 points from Tonya Moncrief, 14 each from Nicole Cox and Jautesha Crockett, seven from Stephanie Harber, and six from Margo Porter.

• **Wallace-Hanceville men 102, EC 99:** The Warriors fell to 6-8 as their losing streak reached five with Saturday's loss at Hanceville, Ala.

EC got 19 points from Matthew Roebuck, 16 from Arral Parkerson, 15 from Joe Copeland, 14 from Mile Batalo, 12 from Lamond Bowie, eight from Chris Webb, six from Kent Chamblee, and four each from Otha Lay and Shawn Moss.

Wallace led 54-52 at halftime.

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East Central's Kent Chamblee tries to save a loose ball against Southwest.

College Visitors/Events/News

WEEK OF May 31, 1999

SPECIAL ECCC VISITORS - Recent visitors on the East Central Community College campus were the above Newton County officials who were luncheon guests at the May meeting of the College's Board of Trustees. Pictured are (front row, from left) District four Supervisor Bubba Bonds, District Five Supervisor Jimmy Johnson, District Supervisor Walter Gardner and District Three Supervisor Charles Moulds, and (second row, from left) District Two Supervisor Dale Alexander, Board Attorney Danny Clearman, Purchasing Agent Daphne Lynyette Lockett and Chancery Clerk George Hayes. The special visitors are shown with ECCC trustees (top row, from left) Jack Winstead of Lawrence, Myrtle Burton of Newton, Billy Nicholson of Union and Dr. Danny Lanier of Little Rock. Not pictured are trustees Gary McDill of Conehatta and Bill Thames of Newton.

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WEEK OF June 14, 1999

SPECIAL ECCC SPEAKER - Economic developer and entrepreneur Bill Hogg of Flowood is presented a food basket following his recent remarks to members of the East Central Community College administration, faculty and staff on the Decatur campus. Hogg discussed his new book, *How to Succeed at Success,* and shared anecdotes about his life's experiences and the choices he made that brought about a difference in his business and personal life. He is the founder of Mississippi Valley Food Service and several other businesses. Hogg is shown receiving the gift from sophomore Gwen Edwards of Noxapater, a member of the College's professional development class, which sponsored the special Program. Elizabeth Breland of Union, left, serves as class instructor. (EC Photo)

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BAILEY SPEAKS TO ECCC STUDENTS - Chip Bailey, Chairman of the Division of Technology at Mississippi State University, Meridian Campus, recently spoke to East Central Community College students about a newly approved bachelor's degree option for technical or academic students, instructors and counselors. Bailey said the new program was specifically designed to prepare graduates for management roles in the field of manufacturing and that there is a great amount of flexibility in courses that will transfer into the program, including technical coursework. (EC Photo)

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Alumni / Scholarships / Homecoming

WEEK OF 3/15/99

EMERGYSTAT MAKES DONATION TO ECCC - Officials with Emergystat Ambulance Service recently donated various medical supplies to East Central Community College which will be used by students enrolled in the College's Emergency Medical Technician (EMT): Basic course, a recent addition to the ECCC curriculum. Shown during the presentation are (in front, from left) paramedics Charles Kelly and Dale Stampley, co-managers of Emergystat's Newton office; John Adcock, ECCC District Director of Vocational-Technical Instruction; Dr. Eddie M. Smith, ECCC President; and (in back, from left) Joe Renaud, ECCC Personal Development Specialist; and Kay Chambers, EMT instructor. Officials with Newton Regional Hospital have also made recent contributions to the College's EMT program. (EC photo)

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WEEK OF 5-3-99

ECCC, Chahta plan training progrmas

Discussing plans for upcoming training programs and other industrial services to be provided at Chahta Enterprises in Philadelphia by East Central Community College's Skill/Tech One-Stop Career Center are from left Annette Watkins, director of purchasing and materials, ECCC representatives Natalie Vance, basic skills specialist and Ron Forest, work force specialist. The College currently provides free adult basic education courses, supervisor and quality training to Chahta employees. East Central's partnership with Chahta is part of the College's on-going mission to provide businesses and industries the education, training, placement, assessment and consultation to improve the quality of the work force in the College's five-county district. For more information contact the Center at East Central Community College, Post Office Box 129, Decatur, MS 39327, Phone: 635-2111 or toll free, 1-877-462-3222, ext. 299.

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Program on biodiversity scheduled March 25 at ECCC

The Environmental Club at East Central Community College in Decatur is hosting a program on biodiversity at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 25, 1999, in Newton Hall, Room 60. A reception precedes the program and will be held at 6:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

The guest speaker will be Amy Parish, Development Coordinator for The Nature Conservancy. Parish said the mission of the Conservancy is "to preserve plants, animals and natural communities that represent the diversity of life on Earth by protecting the lands and waters they need to survive."

Based in Arlington, Virginia, the Conservancy is the world's leading private, international conservation group, with more than 900,000 members and 1300 preserves - the largest system of private nature sanctuaries in the world.

According to Parish, the Conservancy has helped protect more than 10 million acres of ecologically significant habitat in the United States, and more than 55 million acres in Canada, Latin America, the Caribbean, Asia and the Pacific. It currently manages more than 6.1 million acres.

In 1998, the Conservancy launched the largest private conservation campaign ever undertaken, seeking to raise $750 million to make tangible and lasting contributions at sites around the world. For the first time ever, the Campaign for Conservation will develop a detailed vision of long-term conservation success – a Blueprint for Saving the Last Great Places – that will identify the sites and actions necessary to protect biodiversity. "The Conservancy will translate this vision into on-theground results by taking immediate action with local communities and other partners at 120 of these Last Great Places," Parish stated.

For more information contact Laura Hammons, ECCC Environmental Club sponsor, Ph 635-2111, ext. 324, or call toll free, 1 877-462-3222, ext. 324.

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WEEK OF 3/22/09

East Central begins two major construction projects in 1998

Construction was begun at ECCC in 1998 on two new facilities--the Student Union Building and Erma Lee Barber Hall, a new dormitory for female students.

The Student Union, a 14,104-square-foot structure, will house office space for Student Services personnel and is being built at a cost of $2.2 million. Funding for the much-needed facility comes from state bond sources with no indebtedness to the college or its support district.

Construction of Barber Hall, a 26,529-square-foot structure which will provide living space for 128 students, also got underway thanks to a $3 million loan from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Division. The loan will be repaid over a 25-year period through special tax levies approved by the district county boards of supervisors.

In addition to the construction projects started in 1998, ECCC completed a renovation of a major portion of the middle classroom building on its South Campus. The college's mathematics faculty is housed in the facility which also includes new physics and computer science classrooms and laboratories.

Other campus projects completed in 1998, or nearing completion, include the "Welcome Home" project and a fitness trail.

The "Welcome Home" project involved the recreation of an archway that greeted campus visitors from the early 1950s to the mid-1970s. The new structure was completed at a cost of $60,000 with most of the funding coming from private donations. Included in the archway is an electronic marquee where upcoming campus events and activities are publicized on a daily basis.

Nearing completion is a new fitness trail located between the college pond and softball field. The half-mile path is now lighted and eventually will include several exercise stations. Cost of the project is estimated at $100,000 with funding provided by private donations and a grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, National Recreational Funding Program.

Among improvements made in the area of technology were the installation of a mid-range computing system rated six times faster than the previous model, which will enable the college to distribute more of the student information functions--such as registration and advising--across the college network and the Internet. ECCC also achieved the goal of providing Pentium multimedia-capable computing hardware for every faculty desktop; began the ongoing process of teaching courses over the World Wide Web; and installed a Learning Skills Center computer network with

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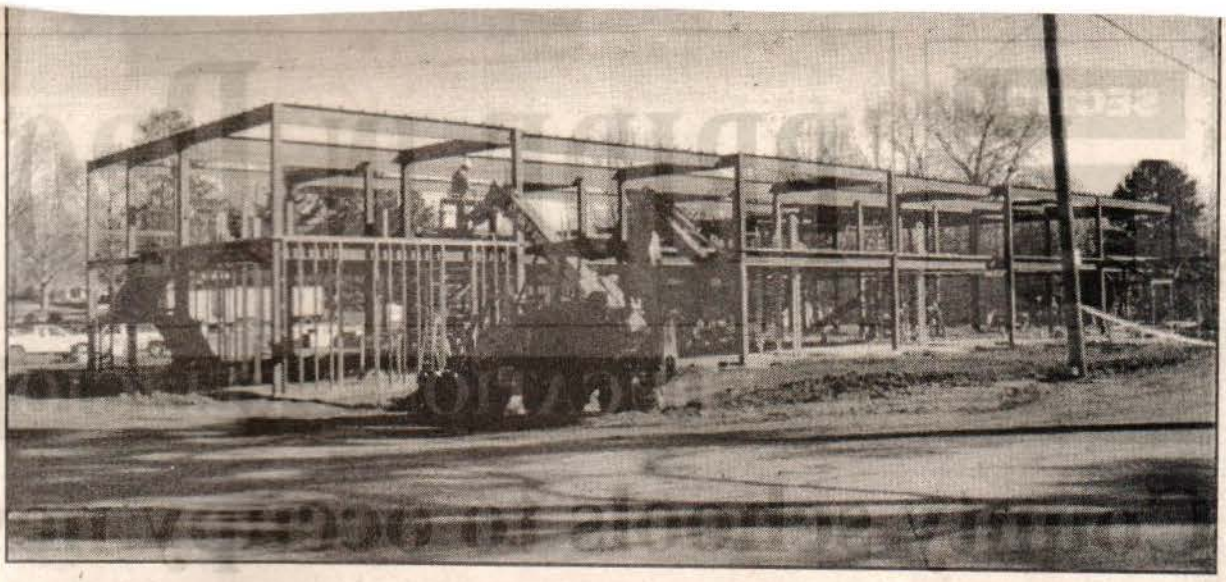

Erma Lee Barber Hall, one of two major construction projects currently underway at East Central Community College.

top-of-the-line tutorial and learning software by Plato.

Financial contributions to the college reached record levels from both public and private sources in 1998. The largest individual unrestricted financial pledge was made by Mr. and Mrs. Milton McMullan of Newton who announced they are leaving $50,000 from their estate to the college after previously making a $5,000 unrestricted gift.

The largest individual donation to ECCC was made by Henry Bane "Bubba" Hudspeth and his wife, Faye McCulley Hudspeth, of Louisville who endowed a scholarship in their name with a gift of stock valued at $50,000.

Officials with Central Electric Power Association pledged $100,000 to ECCC to update the college's information technology system. The Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) is a partner with CEPA in this endeavor, which covers a five-year period.

As of December 1998, the ECCC Foundation has secured almost $600,000 in cash and in-kind services since the office was established in 1996. Overall multi-year pledges total some $850,000 over five years, with cash and long-term pledges expected to exceed $1 million in the near future.

Buildings/Programs

WEEK OF 2-8-99

Donates to ECCC project

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DECATUR--A contribution from Forest Banker George Taylor officially began a fund-raising effort at East Central Community College in Decatur where donations are being accepted to have portraits made of individuals in whose honor campus buildings are named. Estimated cost of the project is $3,300.00. Taylor, at left, is a 1967 graduate and member of the College's Foundation Board of Directors and is shown presenting a check to Dr. Eddie M Smith, ECCC president.

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WEEK OF June 28th

Dr. Eddie Smith to retire as ECCC president in 2000

Dr. Eddie M. Smith, president of East Central Community College in Decatur, announced his resignation Tuesday during the monthly meeting of the college's board of trustees.

Dr. Smith, who has led his alma mater since 1985, said he plans to retire on June 30, 2000. By that time, the 56-year-old Mississippi native will have served almost 36 years in the field of education.

In a letter to board chairman Prentice Copeland of Philadelphia, Dr. Smith explained his decision to retire "has not been made in haste and is a decision that I believe will be in the best interest of my wife and me."

He said, "A most important decision in his or her professional life is when to leave a position of employment. I know that when my current contract ends on June 30, 2000, it will be time for me to end my employment with East Central and to open the way for the college's next leader. After that time, Charlotte and I plan to enjoy our church work, travel, leisure and perhaps even other professional ventures."

Dr. Smith said he and his wife plan to remain in the area and will be available to assist in the transition "in any manner desired by the board and by that of the new president."

In accepting Dr. Smith's letter of resignation, Copeland praised the ECCC leader for his efforts in effectively guiding the two-year college to the new millennium.

Enrollment at East Central has increased each year under Dr. Smith's leadership, and climbed 2,153 students during the 1998 fall term.

Various improvements and additions have also been made on the Decatur campus, including construction of a new women's dormitory (Erma Lee Barber Hall) and Student Union Building, which board members voted today to name in honor of Dr. Smith.

Both facilities are scheduled to be completed for the 1999 fall term.

Copeland said the search for Dr. Smith's successor will begin "immediately."

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WEEK OF June 28, 1999

Thompson added to EC staff

Kenneth Thompson of Decatur was recently added to the East Central coaching staff to head the new soccer program.

Thompson served as varsity and junior varsity soccer coach at Newton County High School before coming to EC. He is also a former football coach at Hickory High School.

Thompson graduated from Morton and received his associate's degree from East Central and his bachelor's degree from Mississippi State.

THOMPSON

Thompson is married to the former Cindy Russell of Decatur and they have three children, twins Will and Russ, 5, and Samm, 2.

The College is constructing the new soccer field on the north end of the campus above the softball complex. Soccer competition will begin during the fall semester. For more info contact Thompson at 635-2111, ext. 310.

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WEEK OF May 31, 1999

Vance Returns To ECCC As Business Manager

Mickey Vance of Decatur has returned as business manager at East Central Community College in Decatur, announced Dr. Eddie M. Smith, College president. Vance began his new duties on May 3, 1999.

Mickey Vance

Prior to rejoining the ECCC staff, Vance served as controller at La-Z-Boy South in Newton, where he had been employed since July, 1997. He previously served as the College's business manager from September, 1992 to June 1997.

Vance also has extensive experience in the banking business, having held various positions of leadership at several institutions in the Dallas, Texas, area. In addition, he was previously associated with certified public accountants Dan R. Lee of Newton and William H. Gillon III of Natchez.

A graduate of Newton County Academy, Vance received an associate in science degree from ECCC and earned bachelor's and master's degrees in accounting from the University of Southern Mississippi.

He is married to the former Natalie Dunn of Natchez, who is employed as basic skills specialist at the college's Skill/Tech One-Stop Career Center. They have two children, Jordan and Savannah.

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WEEK OF 5-3-99

Lovett to retire from East Central

Six members of the East Central Community College family with a combined 80 years experience have announced retirement plans following the 1998-99 College term.

Retirees include: Bill Lovett, psychology instructor of Forest; Dr. Shelby Harris, Chairman of the Division of Mathematics and math instructor; Dr. Richard Fisher, chemistry instructor; Nancy Harris, Director of the Associate Degree Nursing program; Mary Everett, electrical technology instructor; and Kasandra Reynolds, medical-surgical instructor for the ADN program.

Lovett also joined the ECCC staff in 1993. In announcing his retirement, Lovett said, "Serving as a member of the ECCC family has given me a chance to repay a portion of what I feel I owe for the valuable instruction, thoughtful direction, and caring guidance provided me during my two years as a student here, a long time ago. I have tried to pass along these same qualities to my students."

Lovett, a retired naval officer with 27 years service, taught part-time for the College prior to assuming a full-time position. In addition to teaching psychology, he served as speech instructor and was advisor for New Directions, an organization for adult students.

He also has public school teaching experience as he previously served as psychology and speech instructor at Pensacola (Fla.) High School, where he was named a Merit Teacher under a program instituted by the Florida Department of Education. In addition, he served as speech and debate instructor as a graduate assistant at the University of Southern Mississippi.

A graduate of Forest High School, Lovett received an associate of arts degree from ECCC, a bachelor's degree in speech from USM and a master's degree in administration from George Washington University in Washington, D.C. In addition, he has completed graduate courses in abnormal psychology and social psychology at Mississippi State University.

He is married to the former Sandra Concord of Pensacola and they have two grown daughters and one granddaughter.

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WEEK OF 5-3-99

One of us...

Paula Merritt/The Meridian Star

Bubby Johnston

Bubby Johnston and the media go hand-in-hand.

He has been the public relations director at East Central Community College for the past 11-plus years; but before that he worked in the family business at the Scott County Times.

His family owned the business for over 40 years and Johnston was the editor of the paper for five years after graduating from Mississippi State University.

Johnston says he really enjoys working with people and has enjoyed getting to know the students that have passed through ECCC over the years.

Johnston is planning to take a leave of absence to finish up a book his father, Earle, was writing when he died.

Johnston says his pet peeve is "people who don't want to communicate and cooperate to get publicity."

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Dear Joins ECCC Nursing Faculty

Dana Dear of Hickory was recently named medical-surgical instructor for the Associate Degree Nursing Program at East Central Community

Dana Dear

College in Decatur, announced Dr. Eddie M. Smith, College president. She previously served the college as an adjunct faculty member for the ADN program.

Prior to joining the ECCC faculty, Dear has been employed at Riley Memorial Hospital where she continues to serve as emergency room family nurse practitioner. In addition, she previously served as a part-time instructor for the licensed practical nursing program at Meridian Community College. she currently holds two specialty certificatiosn in nursing - in critical care (CCRN) and as a family nurse practitioner.

Among honors received include her selection to *Who's Who in American Nursing*. She is also a member of the American Nurses' Association, Mississippi Nurses' Association,

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WEEK OF 4-26-99

Dear

Among honors received in college include her selection to Theta Beta Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau, Inc. and the Mississippi Baptist Nursing Fellowship.

A graduate of Caldwell High School in Columbus, Dear received an associate degree in nursing from Meridian Community College, a bachelor of science degree in nursing from the University of Mississippi, and a master of science degree in nursing at Mississippi University for Women.

Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. She was also named to Meridian Community College's *Circle of Excellence* and was the recipient of MCC's H.M. Ivy Award, presented to the outstanding sophomore student. In addition, she was the college's HEAD-WAE (Higher Education Day - Working Toward Academic Excellence) Student in 1992 and the same year received the Riley Hospital Outstanding Nursing Student Award.

She is married to Talmadge Dear and they have two sons, Billy, 20, and Ben, 18.

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Faculty/Administration

WEEK OF 4-12-99

Stacey Hollingsworth named Administrative Assistant at EC

Stacey Hollingsworth of Decatur was recently named Administrative Assistant to the Director of Development and Alumni Relations at East Central Community College in Decatur, announced Dr. Eddie M. Smith, ECCC president.

Hollingsworth, who serves as an assistant to Larry Hogue, previously held the title of secretary in the same office. She began her employment with the College in 1997. Among other duties, Hollingsworth helps account for contributions to the ECCC Foundation.

A graduate of Newton County High School, she received an associate in arts degree from ECCC, a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Mississippi and a master's in business administration from Mississippi State University.

She is married to Marty

Hollingsworth.

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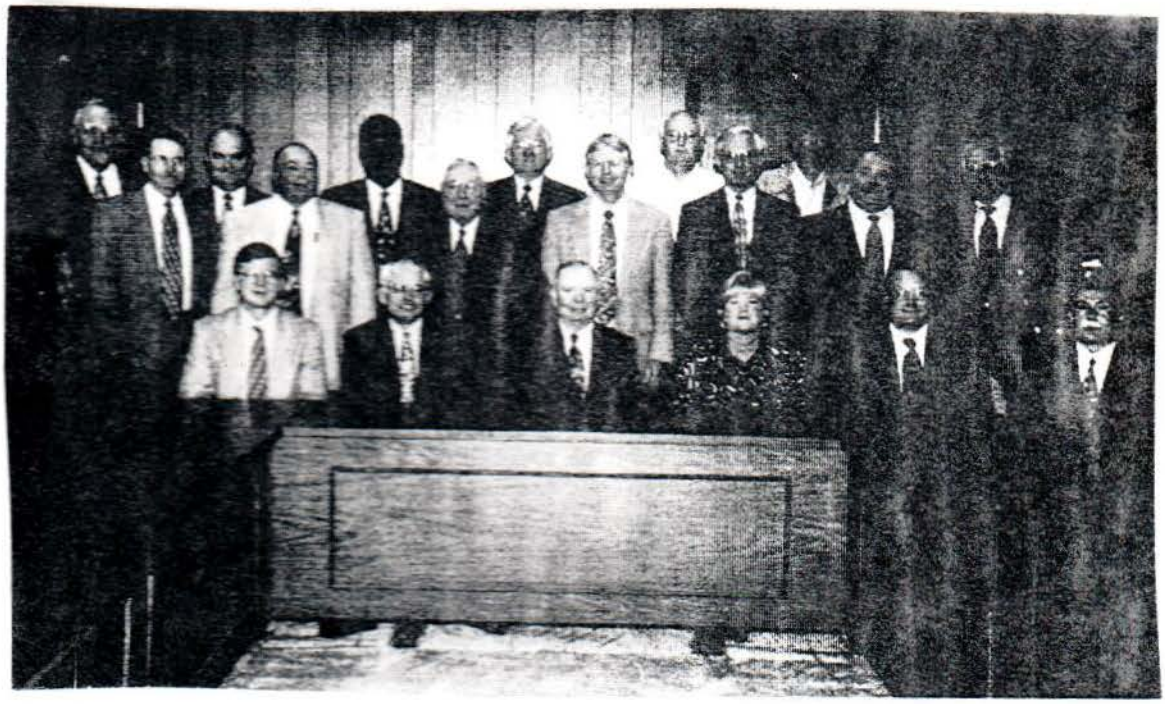
Board/Officials

WEEK OF 1-4-99



ECCC BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DECATUR--Serving as members of the East Central Community College Board of Trustees are (seated from left) Silas O'Neal, Carthage; Billy Nicholson, vice chairman, Union; Jerry Nance, secretary, Louisville; Prentice Copeland, chairman, Philadelphia; Janie Wilbanks, Carthage; and Randal Livingston and Dr. John Garner, both of Louisville; (second row, from left) Billy Pierce, Decatur; W. Edward Kitchings, Carthage; Bill Thames, Newton; Gary McDill, Conehatta; Leo Parker, Noxapater; James E. Petty, Carthage; and Delane Hudson, Louisville; and (back row, from left) Jack Winstead, Lawrence; Frank McCurdy, Morton; Jackie L Bradford, Forest; and Jerry K. Moore, Carthage; Not pictured are Ramona Adcock, Rivers Breazeale and Steve Nelson, all of Philadelphia; Edsel Cluburn, Union; Myrtle Burton, Newton; A.F. Hollingsworth, Lake; and Revecca Farris and Vernon Crotwell both of Morton. (EC PHOTO)

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WEEK OF 1-4-99

Board changes guard

In their first meeting of the year Monday, Leake County supervisors elected, from left, front, District 1 Supervisor Tony Smith, board president, and Cline Watkins, District 4, vice president. On hand were, back, County Administrator Freddie Terrell, supervisors Larry Cooper, District 2; Oliver Smith, District 3; and Davis Gill, District 5, all of whom have served as president, and Board Attorney Jeff Webb

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WEEK OF 4/26/99

Lanier Joins ECCC Board.....Dr. Danny Lanier of Little Rock was recently welcomed as the newest member of the East Central Community College Board of Trustees. Dr. Lanier (third from left) has served the past 15 years as a full-time vocational evangelist, having preached over 600 revival meetings across America. During this period he has also served as staff evangelist of Northcrest Baptist Church in Meridian. He will assume duties as co-pastor of Northcrest beginning in June. Dr. Lanier is shown with Board officers (from left) Billy Nicholson, vice chairman, of Union, and Prentice Copeland, chairman, of Philadelphia, and ECCC President Dr. Eddie M. Smith. (EC Photo)

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WEEK OF 7-5-99

Dr. Eddie Smith leaving ECCC for retirement

Dr. Eddie M. Smith, president of East Central Community College in Decatur, announced his resignation during the monthly meeting of the College's Board of Trustees.

Dr. Smith, who has led his alma mater since 1985, said he plans to retire on June 30, 2000. By that time, the 56-year-old Mississippi native will have served almost 36 years in the field of education.

In a letter to Board Chairman Prentice Copeland of Philadelphia, Dr. Smith explained his decision to retire "has not been made in haste and is a decision that I believe will be in the best interest of my wife and me."

Dr. Smith further stated: "A most important decision in his or her professional life is when to leave a position of employment. I know that when my current contract ends on June 30, 2000, it will be time for me to end my employment with East Central and to open the way for the college's next leader."

In accepting Dr. Smith's letter of resignation, Copeland praised the ECCC leader for his efforts in effectively guiding the two-year college to the new millennium. Enrollment at East Central has increased each year under Dr. Smith's leadership, and climbed to 2153 students during the 1998 fall term. Various improvements and additions have also been made on the Decatur campus, including construction of a new women's dormitory (Erma Lee Barber Hall) and Student Union Building, which Board members voted to name in honor of Dr. Smith. Both facilities are scheduled to be completed for the 1999 fall term.

Copeland said the search for Dr. Smith's successor will begin immediately.

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WEEK OF Dec. 13, 1999

ECCC alumni players and coaches attend homecoming

Above are coaches and members of the 1965, 1966 and 1967 East Central Community College football teams who attended reunion activities held as part of the College's Homecoming '99 celebration. First row, from left are Granville Freeman, Lake; Hansel King, Brookhaven; Dan Chatwood, Fairhope, Alabama; Ken Pouncey, Decatur; Tim Pennington, Sulphur, Louisiana; and Ed Amis, Lake. Second row, from left are Robert Stribling, Brandon; Bobby Fulcher, Quitman; Steve Richardson, Farmerville, Louisiana; Ed Rainer, Brandon; Mike Tucker, Bay Springs; and Ronny Smith, Banner. Third row, from left are Jon Whitaker, Hattiesburg; Ferrell Skinner, Birmingham, Alabama; Harry McLemore, Fairhope, Alabama; Steve Nelson, Union; and Bubba Bonds, Lawrence. Fourth row, from left are Jacky Blackburn, Tupelo; Billy Ray Dill, Escatowpa; Albert Valentine, Rutherford, Tennessee; Bill Matthews, Newton; Barry Irons, Philadelphia; and Richard Keeton, Brandon. Fifth row, from left are Neal Carson, Marion; Johnny Wall and Billy Strum, both of Clinton; Billy Henderson, Brandon; and Leon Stuart, Morton. For more information regarding alumni activities contact the Office of Development and Alumni Relations, East Central Community College, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, or call toll free 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), ext. 323.

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WEEK OF 11-29-99

Rutigliano guest speaker at ECCC

Former National Football League head coach Sam Rutigliano will speak to the student body at East Central Community College during a special assembly program scheduled Tuesday, December 7, on the Decatur campus. Rutigliano, who has guided the Liberty University football program since 1989, will begin his remarks at 10:45 a.m. in Huff Auditorium.

The New York native is a 1951 graduate of Newton County Agricultural High School, then a part of East Central Junior College. Rutigliano was a standout member of the Warrior football and basketball teams prior to continuing his athletic career at the University of Tennessee, which won the national football championship in 1952.

Rutigliano began his coaching career on the high school level in New York City in 1956, and later served on the staffs at the University of Connecticut and University of Maryland. He entered the pro ranks in 1967, serving as an assistant at Denver, New England, New York Jets and New Orleans before being named head coach in Cleveland in 1978. During his tenure with the Browns, Rutigliano was twice named AFC Coach of the Year by United Press International, and was selected NFL Coach of the Year in 1980 after leading Cleveland to an 11-5 record and the AFC Central Division title. He left the Browns during the 1984 season and became a color commentator for ESPN and NBC from 1985-1988.

Rutigliano was chosen head

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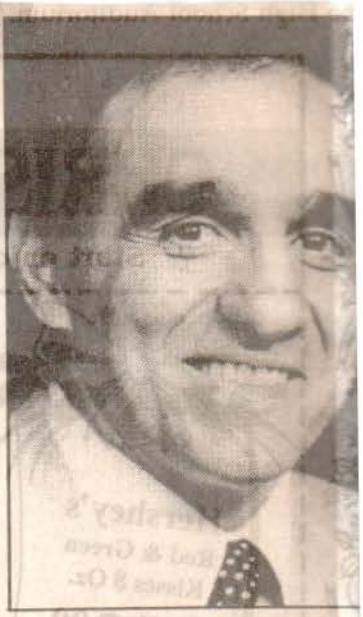

Sam Rutigliano

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football coach at Liberty University in Lynchburg, Virginia, in 1989, where he is completing his 40th year in coaching.

In addition to his coaching career, Rutigliano has authored several publications, including the 1986 *Pro Football Scouting Report*, and his autobiography titled, *Pressure*.

He also remains in great demand as a speaker throughout the entire western world. He conducts coaching clinics as far away as Australia and Italy and is in constant demand as a motivational speaker throughout the United States.

In recognition of Rutigliano's career as a successful coach and athlete, he was selected to the East Central Community College Athletic Hall of Fame for 1999 and was recognized during homecoming activities held in October. However, due to a scheduling conflict involving his Liberty University football team, Rutigliano was unable to attend the induction ceremony and was represented by his wife, Barbara, and daughter, Kerry Rutigliano.

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WEEK OF 11-15-99

Attended ECCC class of 1969 reunion

Above are members of the Class of 1969 at East Central Community College who attended reunion activities held as part of the College's Homecoming '99 celebration. Seated from left are Gloria Sanders McRae, Carthage; Janice Steed Martin, Philadelphia; and Nancy Henderson Edwards, Carthage. Standing from left are David Howell, Carthage; Betty Lewis Gomillion, Walnut Grove; Jeannie Jones Vance, Decatur; and Gerald Jordan, Carthage. For more information regarding alumni activities contact the Office of Development and Alumni Relations, East Central Community College, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, or call toll free 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), ext. 323.

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WEEK OF 11-15-99

Attend ECCC class of 1979 reunion

Above are members of the Class of 1979 at East Central Community College who attended reunion activities held as part of the College's Homecoming '99 celebration. Standing from left are Mark Killens, Newton; Ann Hollingsworth Jones, Tyler, Texas; Colleen Hight-McDonald, Philadelphia; Irma Johnson Mitchell, Forest; Margaret Kidd Booth, Lawrence; and Rebecca Wooten McElhenny and Mickey Vance, both of Decatur. For more information regarding alumni activities contact the Office of Development and Alumni Relations, East Central Community College, P.O. Box I 29, Decatur, Miss. 39327, or call toll free 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), ext. 323.

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WEEK OF 11-15-99

EC Class of '39

Above are members of the Class of 1939 at East Central Community College who attended reunion activities held as part of the College's Homecoming '99 celebration. Seated, from left, are Arlease Lewis Young of Rose Hill and Mabel Palmer, of New Orleans, Louisiana. Standing from left are Armour Jackson Idom of Jackson, Ruth Herring Green of Leakesville and Dr. Lou Stribling of Carthage.

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WEEK OF 11-15-99

'69 Class reunion

Above are members of the Class of 1969 at East Central Community College who attended reunion activities held as part of the College's Homecoming '99 celebration. Seated from left are Gloria Sanders McRae, Carthage; Janice Steed Martin, Philadelphia; and Nancy Henderson Edwards, Carthage. Standing, from left, are David Howell, Carthage; Betty Lewis Gomillion, Walnut Grove, Jeannie Jones Vance, Decatur; and Gerald Jordan, Carthage.

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EC Class of '89

Above are members of the Class of 1989 at East Central Community College who attended reunion activities held as part of the College's Homecoming '99 celebration. First row, from left are Alisha Amis McMillan, Carthage; Nancy Bagwell Hardy, Thorsby, Alabama; and Tammy Sullivan Weaver, Franklin, Tennessee. Second row, from left, are Ruth Lathem, Forest; Tanya Henry Thomas, Lena; Andy Childress, Louisville; Maggie Jennings, Jackson; and Jackie White, Louisville.

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WEEK OF 11-8-99

ECCC Alumni leaders

Selected to lead the East Central Community College Alumni Association for the year 2000 are (from left) Dick Livingston, president, of Pulaski, and James Vance, vice president, of Meridian. Not pictured is Dayna Morgan of Philadelphia, secretary. The new slate of officers was presented during the annual Alumni Luncheon held as part of Homecoming activities on October 16.

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College Visitors/Events/News

WEEK OF 11-8-99

ECCC WORLD LIT CLASS TO PRESENT 'ARS, POETICA ET MUSICA'

DECATUR--East Central Community College instructor Laura Hammons and her World Literature class will present tars, Poetica et Musica" at 8 p.m. Tuesday, November 16, in the Ovid S. Vickers Fine Arts Auditorium.

Poetica et Musica," which in Latin means "the art of poetry and music," will feature ECCC music instructors Ross Price, Leesa Wilkinson and Tonya Kirk and will spotlight the works of retired English instructor Ovid Vickers, who will also participate in the program.

There is no charge to attend.

For more information contact Hammons at ECCC, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, Ph. 635-2111, ext. 327, or toll free 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), ext. 324.

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WEEK OF 10-25-99

ECCC Contributor.... Beth Milling, owner of Milling Funeral Home in Union, recently gave $2000 for scholarships at East Central Community College in Decatur. Milling contributed $1000 to the new ECCC Scholars Program, a scholarship which gives to students two years of tuition at the College. An additional $1000 will be used to fund the Melissa Milling Memorial Scholarship to be awarded to a high school senior from Union. The Milling Scholarship honors Ms. Milling's late niece who would have graduated this year but was killed in an automobile accident last year. Ms. Milling is pictured with Dr. Eddie M. Smith, ECCC president. At left is Larry Hogue, director of development and alumni relations at the College. (EC Photo)

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Board/Officials

WEEK OF 10-18-99

New board member

Mrs. Beverly Hart of Union was recently appointed to the East Central Community College board of trustees as the new member from Newton County. Mrs. Hart is employed as a family service worker at Friends of Children of Mississippi Inc. Headstart Center in Union. At left: ECCC board chairman Prentice Copeland; at right, Dr. Eddie M. Smith, president of ECCC.

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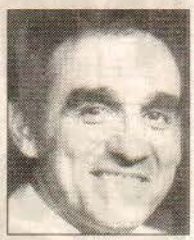
WEEK OF 10-11-99

Rutigliano, Ward, Bullock, Clark in EC 'Hall'

Sam Rutigliano, Charlie Ward, L.B. Bullock and Richard Clark have been named to the East Central Community College Athletic Hall of Fame and Instructors of the Year.

Rutigliano, who has served as head football coach at Liberty University in Lynchburg, Virginia since 1989, attended Newton County Agricultural High School, then a part of East Central Junior College, from 1950 to 1951. During this period, the high school senior was a standout member of the Warrior football and basketball teams. He continued his athletic career at the University of Tennessee, which won the national championship in 1952.



Rutigliano coached pro football at Denver, New England, New York Jets and the New Orleans Saints before he became head coach of the Cleveland Browns. At Cleveland, he was twice named AFC Coach of the Year and was selected as NFL Coach of the Year in 1980.

Rutigliano was chosen coach at Liberty University in Lynchburg, Va., where he is now in his 11th season.

Ward was a standout halfback and defensive back for the 1955 and 56 Warrior football teams. After Ward graduated, he continued his atletic career at Louisiana College.

He later joined the U.S. Navy. He retired from active duty in 1990.

Bullock, who teaches compouter science, has been employed with the college since 1989.

Bullock and his wife, Ann, who teaches business technology at the college, have four children.

Clark, who teaches machine shop technology, was first employed at the college in 1969. He later left for a job in the private sector. but returned the following year. He is now in his 29th year as instructor.

Reunion groups scheduled to meet include members of all classes ending in "9" with special recognition planned for the 1949 class; all former members of the Ac'cents, the College's show choir; the 1965, 1966 and 1967 football teams; and members of the Class of 1937. The College's Alumni Band will again be featured performers during halftime ceremonies of the Warrior football game, set to begin at 2:30 p.m. against division foe Jones County Junior College.

Several reunion groups will also meet on Friday, October 15. The Class of 1949 will host an informal gathering from 6 to 10 p.m. at the Days Inn conference room in Newton. The 1948 and 1950 class members are also invited to attend. Graduates from the classes of 1957, 1958 and 1959 will gather at 6:30 p.m. at the Decatur Methodist Church.

For more information regarding Homecoming '99, contact the Office of Development and Alumni Relations, East Central Community College, P. O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, Ph 635-2111, ext. 323 or call toll free, 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), ext. 323.

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WEEK OF 10-4-99

New dorm

EC plans dedication for new women's dorm

A dedication ceremony for Erma Lee Barber Hall, a new women's dormitory at East Central Community College in Decatur, will be held at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 12. The facility is named for the former ECCC Dean of Women who served the College from 1952 until her retirement in 1971. Miss Barber, who still resides in Decatur, is expected to attend the ceremony.

The 26,529 square-foot structure, located on the College's South Campus, houses 128 female students and was completed at a cost of $3.1 million, Funding for the project was provided by a loan from the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Division. Payment for the loan is provided over a 25-year period through special tax levies as approved by the five ECCC district county boards of supervisors.

Program participants include Dr. Eddie M. Smith, ECCC president; Dr. Phil A. Sutphin, dean of instruction; Randall E. Lee, dean of students; Joe Killens, director of student life; Veronica Haynes of Louisville, student body association president; Ovid Vickers, retired ECCC faculty member; Wayne Barber of Jackson, a nephew of Miss Barber; and William Simpson, State Director, Rural Development Division, USDA. Special music will be provided by the Ac'cents, the College's show choir, who will sing the national anthem.

Open house and a tour of Barber Hall will follow the program. A reception will also be held at the facility.

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McMillin named instructor at ECCC

Dr. Lisa McMillin of Louisville was recently named computer science instructor at East Central Community College in Decatur, announced Dr. Eddie M. Smith, College president.

Dr. McMillin previously served the college as business technology instructor, a post she held since 1987.

She is also a former adjunct faculty member at East Central. In addition, she formerly served on the faculties at the University of West Alabama, Winston Academy, Mississippi University for Women, the Winston County/Louisville Vo-Tech Center and the John C. Stennis Vocational Complex.

She also has experience in industry and business, having served as a former computer consultant and sales representative for TEMTCO Steel in Louisville.

Dr. McMillin is a graduate of Winston Academy and Mississippi State University, where she received a bachelor's degree in business education, a master's degree in vocational education and a doctorate in technology and education.

She is married to Jamie McMillin and they have four children, Jonathan, Jay, Paul and Barbara.

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Buildings / Programs

WEEK OF 9-27-99

ECCC seeks funds for benches

By **Austin Bishop**
The Meridian Star

DECATUR — The alumni relations department of East Central Community College is seeking donations to fund the purchase of a dozen benches to beautify the two-year school's campus.

"We have a couple of new buildings on campus and our campus is expanding, which has caused the need for these extra benches," said Larry Hogue, director of development and alumni relations for ECCC.

"We don't have a set number, but we are probably looking at about a dozen," he said. "The benches are best suited for two people and will be spread around the new areas."

The benches are expected to be used by students between classes or as meeting places.

The cost of the benches, which will be wooden and will have backs, are $200 each.

"We already have some donations and we are going to the different organizations on campus and asking them to help out," Hogue said.

He also said the school is seeking alumni and businesses from surrounding communities who might be interested in helping. Plaques identifying the donors will be placed in a prominent spot on each of the benches.

"This is a new project, and one I don't think we have ever done before," he said. "The idea originated from a staff member and kind of grew from there."

Among the new buildings on campus are the Eddie M. Smith Student Union and Erma Lee Barber Hall, a new women's dorm.

The benches will also be placed around the South Campus, which is the former Decatur High School.

Hogue said $1,000 had already been donated.

"We hope to have one of the benches to model on Oct. 16," Hogue said. That will be during Homecoming activities.

Those who have already contributed are the Mississippi Air Guard in Meridian, Phi Theta Kappa, Mu Alpha Theta and the Association of Student Nurses of East Central.

For more info

Those seeking more information or wishing to make a donation can call 1-877-462-3222 and ask for ext. 323 or 327.

The mailing address is Office of Development and Alumni Relations, ECCC, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327.

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Faculty/Administration

WEEK OF 9-27-99

Ferguson joins ECCC vo-tech faculty

Christy H. Ferguson

Christy H. Ferguson of Philadelphia was recently named business technology instructor at East Central Community College in Decatur, announced Dr. Eddie M. Smith, college president.

Prior to joining the ECCC faculty, Ferguson served as adjunct faculty member at East Central Community College and for East Mississippi Community College on the Mayhew campus. She is also a former business education teacher at Central Academy in Macon. In addition, she has several years of experience in the banking field.

She is a graduate of Nanih Waiya High School, East Mississippi community College and Mississippi State University, where she received a bachelor's degree in office systems and technology and a master's degree in business technology.

Ferguson is a member of Spring Creek Baptist Church where she teaches a discipline training class for young people.

She is married to Jerry Ferguson and they have two children, Leah, 5 and Nicole, 2.

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Alumni / Scholarships / Homecoming

WEEK OF 9-27-99

ECCC alumni 1948, '49, '50 classes to meet

East Central Community College alumni representing Classes of 1948, 1949 and 1950 are invited to an informal gathering scheduled Friday, Oct. 15, in Newton. Activities are scheduled from 6 to 10 p.m. in the Days Inn conference room.

The three-class reunion is being held in conjunction with the College's Homecoming celebration scheduled the following day in Decatur. Friends of class members are also invited to attend.

Among alumni planning the reunion include Class of 1949 members Mrs. Afton Pike (nee Mary Evelyn Kennedy) of Lindale, Texas; Lebrun "Sibb" Hutchison of Littleton, Colorado; and James Breland of Cleveland, Miss. The 1949 group is observing its golden anniversary and will serve as reunion host.

For more information contact the Office of Development and Alumni Relations, East Central Community College, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, Ph. 635-2111, ext. 323 or call toll free, 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), ext. 323.

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WEEK OF 9-20-99

ECCC Names Building in Honor of Former President

The East Central Community College Board of Trustees has named the College's Administration Building in honor of former president Walter Arno Vincent who led the institution from 1953-1962.

Vincent began his employment at the college in 1947, serving in various capacities including assistant football coach, head basketball coach, math teacher, registrar and dean of students prior to his selection as the college's third president. The Administration Building was constructed during Vincent's tenure as president.

Vincent and his wife, Ruth, reside in Meridian.

A dedication ceremony for the Walter Arno Vincent Administration Building will be announced at a later date.

Over the weekend

Ole Miss - the Rebels just got outplayed by the Dynamites, eh, Vandy Commodores....the Rebel D has got to "step-it-up" and play with some intensity....the O has got to be more consistent....the team (and coaches) have got to "play to win",. not play "not to lose".

State - the "Dogs undefeated after paying Oklahoma St. back for last year.....and MSU is ranked....State fans are all smiling at 3-0....now comes the SEC....but Sporting News says the 'Dogs "have the softest schedule in the SEC"...

Southern - Nebraska has not faced a defense like USM threw against them.....the 'Birds could have won the game....the Comhuskers came out lucky with a W.

ECCC - The Warriors have recovered from the first game loss....two wins in a row, and over Scooba Tech....go ahead, EC(JC).....OK, ECCC!

Alabama - "Turn out the lights, the party is over" for Mike Dubose....the AD got axed and the Athletic committee is grinding the axe for another chopping.....rumor, Jackie Sherrill ('Bama grad)...could be headed to BAMA?

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WEEK OF 9-20-99

Special EC visitors

Recent visitors on the East Central Community College campus were various Leake County officials who were special luncheon guests of the College's Board of Trustees. Seated from left are District Two Supervisor Larry Cooper, District One Supervisor Tony Smith, Tax Assessor/Collector Sheila Johnson, District Four Supervisor Cline Watkins and County Administrator Freddie Terrell. Standing from left are ECCC trustees from Leake County, who include Jerry K. Moore, Janie Wilbanks and Silas O'Neal, all of Carthage; Dale Rogers of Walnut Grove; and William Edward Kitchings of Carthage. Not pictured is board member James E. Petty, Leake County Superintendent of Education.

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WEEK OF 9-20-99

ECCC Gets Donation From Chamber... ECCC Director of Alumni Relations Larry Houge (left) receives a check from Chamber President Karen Hatch for $207 to help buy one of 30 TI hand-held computers for a math lab at the college. At right is Union Superintendent of Schools Dr. William Wade.

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WEEK OF 9-13-99

EC outdoor classroom

East Central Community College recently completed its Arboretum/Outdoor Classroom project, which was funded through an Urban and Community Forestry Grant from the Mississippi Forestry Commission in cooperation with the USDA Forest Service and the Southern Group of State Foresters and with private donations. As a part of the project, more than 250 trees were planted on the ECCC campus and 91 of the trees were labeled with both their scientific and common names. Shown at one of the markers is (from left) College President Dr. Eddie M. Smith, Rick Olson, Partnerships Coordinator for the Mississippi Forestry Commission; and Ron Davis, Chairman of the ECCC Science Department and Chairman of the Grant Implementation Committee.

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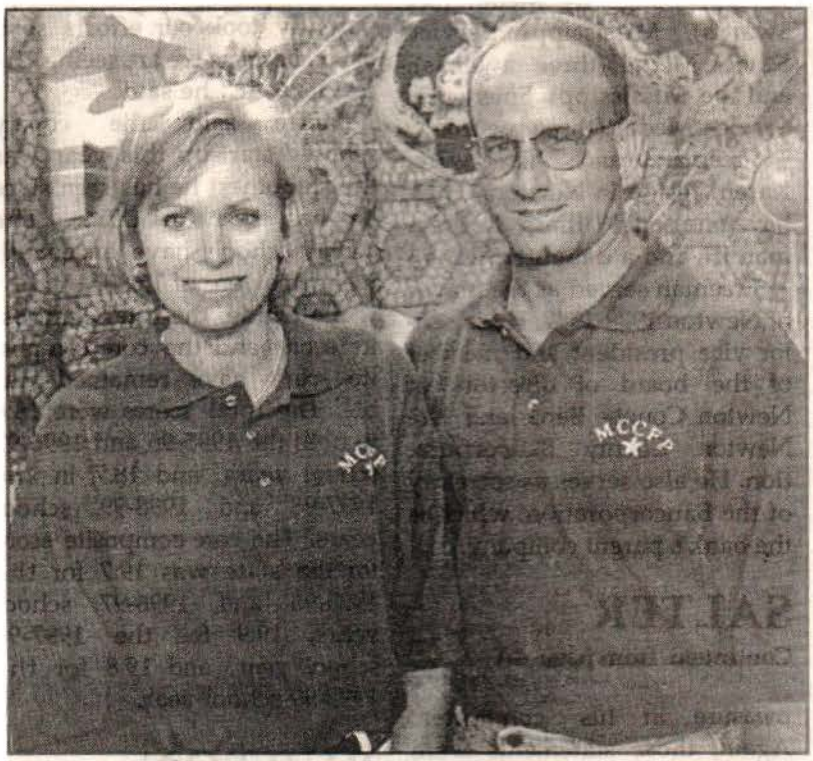
WEEK OF 9-6-99



COMPLETE LEADERS PROGRAM - two East Central Community College administrators are among more than 30 graduates of the 1999 Mississippi Community College Fellowship Program. They include Lanette Hanna and Roger Whitlock, both of Decatur. Organized by Mississippi State University's educational leadership department, the intensive, week-long professional development program is designed to train the next generation of community college leaders. Hanna is an academic counselor, while Whitlock is coordinator of work-based learning. Now in its sixth year, the MSU program recently drew participants from Mississippi, Alabama and Arkansas.

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ECCC ADJUNCT FACULTY MEMBERS - A pre-session workshop for adjunct faculty members at East Central Community College was recently held on the Decatur campus. Among those attending were (from left) Eula Rivers of Union, Gail Coats, Naomi Bates and Tracy Strickland, all of Philadelphia; and Bill McKee of Forest. Adjunct faculty members teach college courses on a part-time basis on the Decatur campus and at various locations throughout the five-county district. For information contact the Office of Adult and Continuing Education, ECCC, P. O. Box 129, Decatur. 39327. Ph. 635-2111, ext. 279.

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WEEK OF 9-6-99

O'Neal honored for service

Silas O'Neal (right) of Carthage was recently honored for 10 years service on the East Central Community College Board of Trustees and is shown receiving a plaque of appreciation from Board Chairman Prentice Copeland of Philadelphia. O'Neal was recognized at the annual meeting of the Mississippi Community/Junior College Trustees Association held this summer in Biloxi.

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WEEK OF 9-6-99

Choreographer For Centralettes

Lori Muse of Hickory was recently named coordinator/choreographer for the Centralettes, the dance line for the East Central Community College Band.

In the announcement by Thomas W. Carson, Director of Bands, Ms. Muse, who serves as dance instructor at Miller Gymnastics in Newton, is also choreographer for show choirs at ECCC (the Ac'cents), Newton County High School ("Vivace") and Newton High School ("Encore"), and for the Newton Theatre Company.

She is married to Tim Muse.

Color Guard Instructor

Ricardo Robinson of Decatur was recently named color guard instructor for the ECCC Warrior Wall O'Sound Band.

Director of Bands, Thomas W. Carson, announced that Robinson also serves in the same capacity for Newton County and Northeast high schools. In addition, he serves as a consultant for Wayne County and Slidell, La. high school bands.

Robinson is a former member of the Spirit of Atlanta Drum and Bugle Corps, which placed among the top 10 in the World Finals. He also served two years as drum major at Newton County High School, and received All-Superior marks at the State Band Contest.

He is the son of Cyndi Robinson of Decatur.

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WEEK OF 8-30-99

Sheila Rone

Sheila Rone selected vo-tech instructor

Sheila Rone of Ethel recently selected technical applications instructor at the Philadelphia/Neshoba County Vocational-Technical Center, a division of East Central Community College in Decatur, announced Dr. Eddie M. Smith, College president.

Prior to joining the vo-tech staff, Rone taught biology, anatomy and physiology and physical science at Ethel Attendance Center.

She is a also a former biology instructor at Neshoba Central High School. She began her career as a life science teacher at Miller Junior High in Wast Helena, Arkansas, where she later served as gifted and talented science dicovery teacher.

She has received numerous honors through the year in recognition of her excellence in teaching. She is a member of Tabernacle Methodist Church in Attala County. She also holds membership in various professional organizations.

A graduate of Rosedale High School, Rone received an associate degree in nursing from Phillips County Community College in Helena, Ark., and earned a bachelor of science degree in physical education and health from Delta State University.

Joey Irby

Irby selected PNC vo-tech instructor

Joey Irby of Collinsville was recently named metal trades instructor at the Philadelphia/Neshoba County Vocational-Technical Center, a division of East Central Community College in Decatur, announced Dr. Eddie M. Smith, College president.

Prior to joining the vo-tech staff, Irby was employed as a CNC operator/machinist at Taylor Machine Works in Louisville. He is a former machinist at U.S. Motors in Philadelphia.

A graduate of Neshoba Central High School, Irby attended East Central Community College.

He attends East Philadelphia Baptist Church.

Irby and his wife, Heather, have a son, Taylor.

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WEEK OF 8-23-99

New ECCC Faculty

Dr. Linda Moore Lane of Jackson was recently named Spanish instructor at East Central Community College.

She has 33 years of teaching experience on the college level. She holds membership in several professional organizations and is a member of St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Jackson.

Frances P. Graham has been named psychology instructor at ECCC, announced Dr. Eddie M. Smith.

Prior to joining the ECCC faculty, Graham served as Psychologist I and Alcohol and Drug Coordinator/Director for the Adolescent Unit at East Mississippi State University, Meridian. She is married to Jay Graham and they have a daughter, J. J., an eighth grader at Newton County Academy.

Sue Sharp Ford of Newton was recently named mathematics instructor at East Central Community College.

Prior to joining the ECCC faculty, Ford was business analyst and data processing manager at Burlington Industries in Stonewall. She was an instructor at Clarke College and her teaching experience also extends to the Junior and High School levels. She is a member of Newton United Methodist Church and married to Director of Public Works for the City of Newton Daryl Ford.

Melanie Laird Gilmore, recently named Director of Associate Degree Nursing Program at East Central Community College.

Prior to joining ECCC, Gilmore was employed as family nurse practitioner at La-Z-Boy South, Newton. She is married to Gary Gilmore.

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WEEK OF 8-16-99

ECCC Announces Homecoming Honorees

Recipients of various honors to be presented during Homecoming 1999 have been announced at East Central Community College in Decatur, according to Larry Hogue, Director of Development and Alumni Relations. This year's celebration will be held Saturday, October 16. Selected as the theme is "With You in Mind in '99!"

Honorees include Dr. Shelby L. Harris of Decatur, Alumnus of the Year; Mrs. Iilene Richie Gordon of Union, Alumna of the Year; Lamar Bradford Bullock of Decatur, Academic Instructor of the Year; and Richard W. Clark of Philadelphia, Vocational-Technical Instructor of the Year. Selected for induction into the College's Athletic Hall of Fame are Mrs. Daisy Kate Williams Chaney of Union, Coach Sam Rutigliano of Forest, Virginia; and Charles E. Ward of Pace, Florida.

Also being honored are members of all classes ending in "9", with special recognition planned for the 50-year (1949) reunion group. In addition, the 1966-67 football team, all former members of the Ac'cents, the College's show choir; and the class of 1937 will have reunions.

Other activities scheduled during Homecoming Week include the annual tennis and golf tournaments. A soccer game is also on tap for Saturday, followed by the alumni awards luncheon. East Central's Warriors and the Jones County Junior College Bobcats will battle at 2:30 p.m. in Warrior Stadium.

For more information contact the Office of Development and Alumni Relations, ECCC, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, MS 39327, phone 635-2111, ext. 323 or call toll free, 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), ext. 323.

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WEEK OF 8-18-99

The Neshoba Democrat, Philadelphia, Miss., August 18, 1999, 11C

ECCC alums at Fair

Each year a group of East Central Community College alumni gather at cabin 74 during the Neshoba County Fair to relax and reminisce about time spent on the Decatur campus. Among those who attended the 1999 event included, seated from left, Gay Nell White (Class of 1961) of Philadelphia, Nan Shields Morgan (Class of 1960) of Ridgeland and Cynthia Burkes Morris (Class of 1960) of Ocean Springs. Standing from left are Tam Cooper (Class of 1992) of Ridgeland, Linda Lea Glasgow (Class of 1961) of Greenville, Patsy Dunigan Clark (Class of 1960) of Louisville, Lib Smith Hill (Class of 1960) of Forest, Lois Blount Cooper (Class of 1959) of Decatur, June Brantley Seale (Class of 1960) of Philadelphia, Rosalyn Thompson Mayes (Class of 1958) of Starkville, Pat Flint Mioton (Class of 1961) of Philadelphia and Dr. Phil Sutphin, ECCC Dean of Instruction.

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WEEK OF 8-16-99

ECCC begins search for new president

The search for a new president at East Central Community College in Decatur is officially under way following the selection of a committee composed of members of the College's Board of Trustees. Also serving in an advisory capacity is current president Dr. Eddie M. Smith, who earlier announced he plans to retire in June, 2000. Dr. Smith has led the two-year institution since 1985.

Qualifications for the College's seventh president include the following: an earned doctorate from an accredited institution; at least five years of senior-level experience in educational administration and leadership; preferable at the community college level; demonstrated competence in fiscal management; demonstrated commitment to the community college philosophy; demonstrated effective communication skills; familiarity with the governance and operation of community colleges in Mississippi; demonstrated knowledge of resource development; demonstrated experience in strategic planning; understanding of the accreditation process of the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools; evidence of the ability to effectively represent the College's needs in government and in the private sector; demonstrated knowledge of the use of technology in education and in educational administration; and familiarity with the College's service area.

Deadline for applications is October 31, 1999. The Board of Trustees plans to name the new president at its March 2000, regular meeting. Requirements of the application process can be reviewed by calling the Presidents Office at the College.

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Kinton selected to be ECCC music instructor

Tony Kinton of Carthage was recently named choral music instructor at East Central Community College in Decatur, announced Dr. Eddie M. Smith, College president.

Kinton, who has taught English and literature as a member of the ECCC adjunct faculty since 1993, previously served as English instructor and choir/choral ensemble director of Philadelphia High School. He is also a former adjunct developmental English instructor at Meridian Community College.

In addition, he previously taught junior high and high school music at Choctaw Central schools, and was minister of music at First Baptist Church in Philadelphia and at Crossgates Baptist Church in Brandon. He also served as assistant administrator of public school music at Richland Attendance Center and was choral music teacher for Brookhaven City Schools. He is a former band/choral director at Leake Academy in Madden.

Kinton is also a widely known outdoors writer and photographer, with approximately 2000 articles published in 21 different magazine titles. He served as Mississippi editor of "Outdoor Life" from 1984-96, and is a current contributor for "Mississippi Outdoors" and

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"Mississippi Woods and Waters". He is a monthly contributor to Game and Fish publications and serves as editor of "Mississippi Wildlife Officers" magazine. He has also authored three books.

A graduate of Carthage High School, Kinton attended East Central Community College and received a bachelor's degree in music education and a masters of applied music from Mississippi College. He has completed an additional 24 hours toward a master of arts degree in English from MC. Kinton has completed an additional 31 hours toward a master of church music degree from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

WEEK OF 8-9-99

Cline Watkins named to ECCC 'Fame' electors

District 4 Supervisor Cline Watkins of Lena has been appointed to East Central Community College's Athletic Hall of Fame selectors.

These selectors will be voting on the honorees for Homecoming 1999 in the near future.

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WEEK OF 8-9-99

ECCC Foundation Board

Members of the Board of Directors of the East Central Community College Foundation, Inc., recently met on the College's Decatur campus and received an update on various items from College president Dr. Eddie M. Smith. Dr. Smith who earlier announced plans to retire effective June, 2000, said construction has been completed on phase one of the new Student Union Building and added construction is nearing completion on the new women's dormitory. The Student Union is named in honor of Dr. Smith and the new women's dormitory — Erma Lee Barber Hall — pays tribute to the former dean of women. Seated from left are Board members Mickey Vance of ECCC, secretary-treasurer; Nell Allen Rogers of Philadelphia, new member; Ann Burkes, ECCC; and David Howell of Carthage, Board chairman. Standing from left are Board members George Taylor of Forest, Dr. John Gipson of Newton, Jimmy Prince of Philadelphia, ECCC staff members Larry Hogue and Stacy Hollingsworth, and Dr. Smith. Not pictured are Board members Dr. Pam Kirk of Louisville, vice chairman; Prentice Copeland of Philadelphia; Randall E. Lee, ECCC; and Van Lucas of Newton, new member.

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WEEK OF 8-9-99

Gressett is named EC recruiter and Tech Prep director

Gressett

Jennifer Gressett of Forest was recently named recruiter/Tech Prep Career Center Director at East Central Community College in Decatur, announced Dr. Eddie M. Smith, College president.

She was previously employed as admissions counselor at the University of Southern Mississippi, following her tenure as a member of Southern Style, the official host and recruiting team at USM.

The Philadelphia native is a graduate of Neshoba Central High School, ECCC and USM, where she received a bachelor's degree in social and rehabilitation services.

She plans to pursue a master's degree in counseling at the Meridian branch of Mississippi State University.

She is married to Brad Gressett, who is employed in the Information Systems Department at Southern Farm Bureau Casualty.

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WEEK OF July 26, 1999

Emma Lee Barber Hall

Emma Lee Barber Is Waiting... The new girls dormitory on the campus of East Central Community College, Emma Lee Barber Hall, is hopefully on the way to completion. ECCC officials say that the new dorm will be finished when students enroll on August 16.

is nearing completion

Officials at Union and East Central Community College are hopeful that their building programs will be ready for fall classes.

ECCC President Eddie Smith, who will retire at the end of the school year, was unavailable for comment. But Mickey Vance, business manager at the school, said he hoped the Emma Lee Barber female dormitory building would be available for occupancy on August 16, when students arrive.

"They're going to have to hustle," said Vance of the building contractors. "We're confident that they will have everything done by August 16."

The Emma Lee Barber Hall cost $3.33 million. The square footage in the two-story building is 26,527 feet and occupancy is for 124 students.

"We're going to cut it close, but the architects and the contractor sat down and they are putting a rush job on it," said Vance.

Dr. Bill Wade, Superintendent of Union Schools, said his middle school expansion is on schedule, though they are looking at starting classes where they were last year.

"We're looking to take over that building in late October or early November," said Wade. "The contractors are doing a fine job."

The middle school addition cost in the neighborhood of $1 million.

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Vance returns as EC Business Manager

Mickey Vance of Decatur has returned as business manager at East Central Community College in Decatur, announced Dr. Eddie M. Smith, College president. Vance began his new duties on May 1, 1999.

Prior to rejoining the ECCC staff, Vance served as controller at La-Z-Boy South in Newton, where he had been employed since July, 1997. He previously served as the College's business manager from September, 1992, to June, 1997.

Vance also has extensive expe-

rience in the banking business, having held various positions of leadership at several institutions in the Dallas, Texas area. In addition, he was previously associated with certified public accountants Dan R. Lee of Newton and William H., Gillon III of Natchez.

A graduate of Newton County Academy, Vance received an associate in science degree from East Central Community College and earned bachelor's and master's degrees in accounting from the University of Southern Mississippi.

He is married to the former Natalie Dunn of Natchez, who is employed as basic skills specialist at the College's Skill/Tech One-Stop Career Center. They have two children, Jordan and Savannah.

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NURSERY OWNER DONATES TO ECCC

Albert Smith (center) of Mascotte, Florida, recently donated $2500 worth of trees and shrubs to East Central Community College to be used in the campus tree-planting/landscaping project. Smith, a 1937 ECCC graduate and owner of Smith's Nursery, is shown meeting with Larry Hogue (left), ECCC director of development and alumni relations and Dr. Eddie M. Smith, College president. For further information regarding the campus beautification project call the alumni office, Ph 635-2111, ext. 323 or call toll free, 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), ext. 323

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State Farm agents establish scholarship

Area State Farm Insurance agents have established a scholarship to assist nontraditional students who plan to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. Funding for the annual award is provided by individual agent's gifts along with a matching contribution by the State Farm Companies Foundation. The State Farm Insurance Scholarship is expected to be endowed at $10,000 in three years or less. Shown during the scholarship presentation are (from left) agents Roger Owen of Philadelphia, Gary Eldridge (Agency Field Executive) of Meridian, Billy Nicholson of Union and Pam Thompson of Morton; ECCC President Dr. Eddie M. Smith; and agent Bob Douglas of Newton. For additional scholarship information contact the Dean of Students Office, ECCC, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, Ph 635-2111, ext. 204 or call toll free, 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), ext. 204.

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Area residents on ECCC alumni association board

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Neshoba official visit ECCC

Recent visitors on the East Central Community College campus in Decatur were various Neshoba County officials who were luncheon guests of the College's Board of Trustees at its June 29 meeting. The special guests are shown with Board members from the same area. Seated from left are supervisors James Young (District 5); Aubrey Nicholson (District 4); Harold Reynolds (District 3); Mike Allen (District 2); and Gary Chamblee (District 1). Standing from left are Bengi Coats, county administrator; Larry McMillan, chancery clerk; and ECCC trustees Romona Adcock, Prentice Copeland (Board Chairman), Stanley Salter and Steve Nelson, Neshoba County Superintendent of Education. Not pictured are trustees Edsel Cliburn and Eddie Willis.

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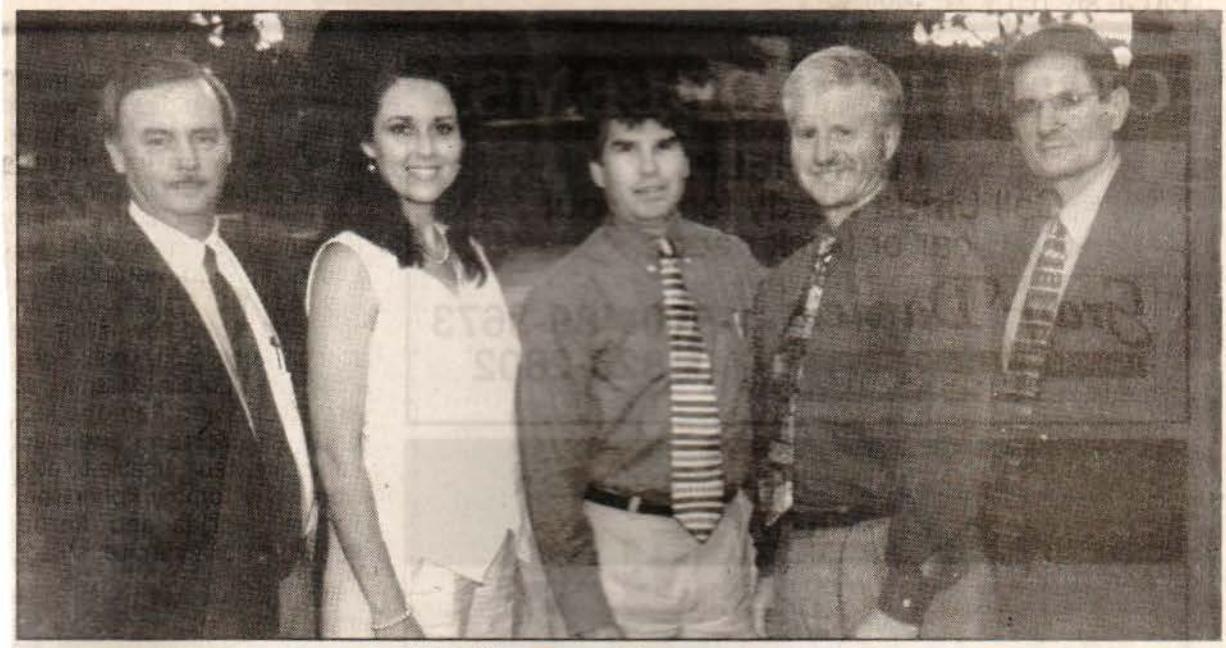

EC officers, directors meet

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Salter joins ECCC board

Philadelphia banker Stanley Salter (center) was recently named to the East Central Community College Board of Trustees and is shown with Board Chairman Prentice Copeland (left) of Philadelphia and ECCC President Dr. Eddie M. Smith, following the trustees' June 29 meeting. Salter, president of the Banking Center of the National Bank of Commerce in Philadelphia, represents District Three of Neshoba County and succeeds Mrs. Rivers Breazeale. Salter is graduate of Philadelphia High School, East Central Community College and Mississippi State University. He is married to the former Kay Wells of Philadelphia and they have a son, Tate, and a daughter, Whitney.

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WEEK OF July 12, 1999

ECCC Announces 'Dollars For Scholars' Program

Area businesses, churches, civic clubs, individuals and groups are invited to be a part of a new scholarship program available at East Central Community College in Decatur. The new program is called "East Central Scholars", and it offers top students two full years of tuition-paid educational opportunities.

Larry Hogue, Director of Development and Alumni Relations, said the College is looking for at least 10 donors who will provide $2,000 ($1,000 per year over two years) for a select group of the top high school graduates in East Central's district, which includes Leake, Neshoba, Newton, Scott and Winston Counties. The $2,000 will pay tuition costs for two full years at East Central.

To qualify, Hogue said potential recipients must: (1) be in the top 10 percent of their high school class; (2) register as a full time student at East Central during the first semester after high school graduation; (3) agree to enroll in Honors Program courses at East Central; and (4) maintain at least a 3.0 grade point or "B" average during their four semesters enrolled at the college.

Hogue said donors will be invited to a scholarship luncheon each spring at East Central to meet the scholarship recipients. He added donors will also be encouraged to start a "mentoring" program. Hogue explained: "This relationship will allow donors the opportunity to check on the scholarship recipients occasionally to see how they're doing. Businesses and other donors may find students to be potential future employees as well."

For more information regarding the East Central Scholars Program, contact the Office of Development and Alumni Relations, East Central Community College, P. O. Box 125, Decatur, Miss. 39327, Ph. 635-2111, exts. 323 or 327, or call toll free, 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), exts. 323 or 327.

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WEEK OF 1-18-99

Recipients of all-state honors presented at the East Central Community College football awards banquet included (from left) Brock Lillis of Neshoba Central, first team; Kevin McKenzie of Plantation, Fla., second team; and Kyle Watson of Neshoba Central, second team. Lillis also received awards for academic, most valuable offensive lineman, and permanent team captain.

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EC Warriors receive honorable mention

These East Central Community College football players were recently named to the honorable mention All-State squad for the 1998 season. The award winners were recognized at the annual football awards banquet held on the Decatur campus. Pictured are (first row, from left) Adam Lowery, Louisville; Kendrick Earby, Morton; Mark Fleming, Leake Academy; Andy Sagona, Sebastopol; Steve Henley, Louisville; James Keys, Collins; and Chester Patrick, Union; and (back row, from left) Jason Eason and Jeff Brown, both of Forest; Greg Busby, Tuscaloosa (Alabama); Jamie Nichols, Philadelphia; Michael Beal, South Leake; Chris Ray, Seminole County (Georgia); Allen Clark, Noxapater; and David Daniel, Tuscaloosa County (Alabama). Not pictured are Samuel Agee, Tuscaloosa Central; Josh Hatcher, Winston Academy; Josh Jones, Tuscaloosa Central; Travares Osley, Hueytown(Alabama); Alex Sanchoyerto, North Miami(Florida); Courtney Shepard, Forest; and Andre' Slayton, Tuscaloosa Central.(Photo courtsey ECCC)

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WEEK OF 2-8-99

ECCC announces signees

East Central Community College has announced the signing of 24 players to national letters-of-intent for the 1999 football season.

Signees from Neshoba County are linebacker David Lauderdale (6-0, 215) and defensive end Romale Griffin (6-2, 220), both from Philadelphia.

The lone Newton County signee is Newton County High running back Terrance Wansley (6-0, 190).

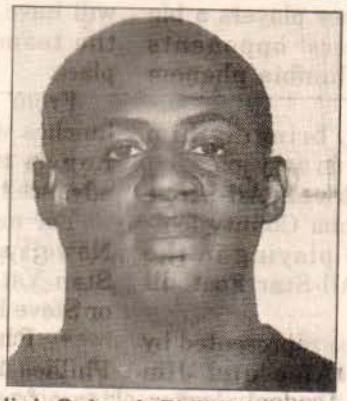
Scott County signees are defensive back Walter Franklin (5-11, 175), defensive back Birchel Robinson (6-0, 200), and defensive end Freddie Woods (6-2, 220), all from Forest; and offensive lineman Lataurus Washington (5-11, 270) and tight end Clint Burkes (6-2, 220) from Scott Central.

Winston County signees are defensive lineman Emmit Ellis (6-3, 250), offensive lineman Reginald Cistrunk (5-10, 300), defensive lineman Ricky Edwards (6-3, 265), linebacker LaKendrick Houston (6-0, 220), defensive Anthony Paten (6-0, 225), running back Marcus Holmes (5-5, 190), and quarterback/punter Justin Reed (5-11, 185), all of Louisville; defensive back Keaton Donald (5-10, 170) of Noxapater; and wide receiver Brandt Peterson (6-1, 170) and running back Jason McNeil (6-0, 215) of Winston Academy. Holmes also signed with Alcorn State.

Also signing with EC from Mississippi was offensive lineman Nathan Johnson (6-2, 235) of East Rankin Academy.

Out-of-state signees are defensive back Chris Hooper (6-4, 210) of North Springs High School in Atlanta, Ga.; offensive lineman Paul Abrams (6-0, 320) and linebacker John Bibb (6-0, 210) of Tuscaloosa (Ala.) Central; and offensive lineman Randy Brown (6-4, 300) and defensive end Courtney Steele (6-1, 250) of Tuscaloosa (Ala.) County High. Brown also inked with the University of Alabama-Birmingham.

ROMALE GRIFFIN



High School: Philadelphia
Signed with: East Central CC
Sport: Football
Position: Wide receiver, defensive end
1998 stats: 13 receptions for 303 yards, 48 points, 80 tackles
Postseason honors: All-Division 5-2A
Parents: Dometrius Griffin and Dorthea Gray

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DAVID LAUDERDALE

High School: Philadelphia
Signed with: East Central CC
Sport: Football
Position: Fullback/linebacker
1998 stats: 101 tackles
Postseason honors: All-Division 5-2A
Parents: Bill and Cynthia Lauderdale

JUSTIN STOVALL

High School: Neshoba Central
Signed with: East Central CC
Sport: Baseball
Position: Shortstop
Parents: Jimmy and Marshall Stovall

BROCK LILLIS

School: East Central Community College, Neshoba Central
Signed with: Middle Tennessee State
Sport: Football
Position: Offensive lineman
Postseason honors: second-team J.C. Grid-Wire All-American, All-Region 23, All-State, All-Star Game, ECCC football team Academic Award (3.7 GPA)
Parents: Keith and Marsha Lillis

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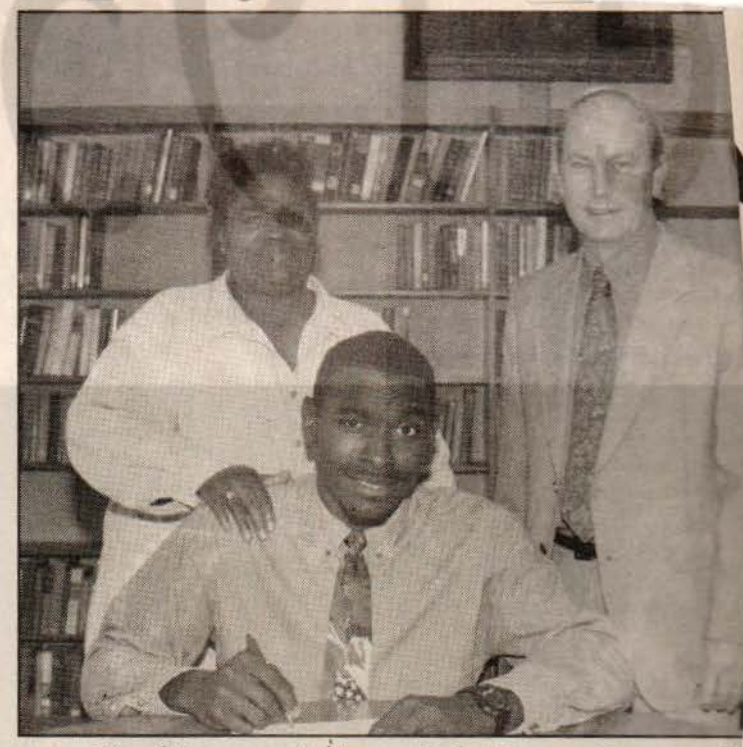
Five area football players to

Woods to become a Warrior

Forest senior Freddie Woods has signed a National Letter of Intent to play football at East Central Community College in Decatur. Pictured at the signing day ceremony are Freddie (seated) and (from left) Dr. Doug Woods, Beverly Woods and Forest head football coach Jack French.(Times staff photo by David Hawkins)



Robinson inks with East Central

Forest senior Birchel Robinson has signed a National Letter of I to play football at East Central Community College in Decatur tured at the signing day ceremony are Berchiel (seated) and left)Charity Robinson and Forest head football coach French.(Times staff photo by David Hawkins)

Burkes will be a Warrior

Scott Central senior Clint Burkes has signed a National Letter of Intent to play football at East Central Community College in Decatur. Pictured at the signing day ceremony are Clint (seated) and (from ... football coach Mickey Bounds and principal

Washington signs with Warriors

Scott Central senior Lataurus Washington has signed a Nati ter of Intent to play football at East Central Community Co Decatur. Pictured at the signing day ceremony are Lataurus and (from left) Deborah Washington, head football coach

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become EC Warriors

EC signs Johnson

East Rankin Academy senior Nathan Johnson has signed a National Letter of Intent to play football at East Central Community College in Decatur. Pictured at the signing day ceremony are Nathan (seated) and (from left) Headmaster Robert Gates, head coach Tony Hill and Cathy Johnson.(Times staff photo by David Hawkins)

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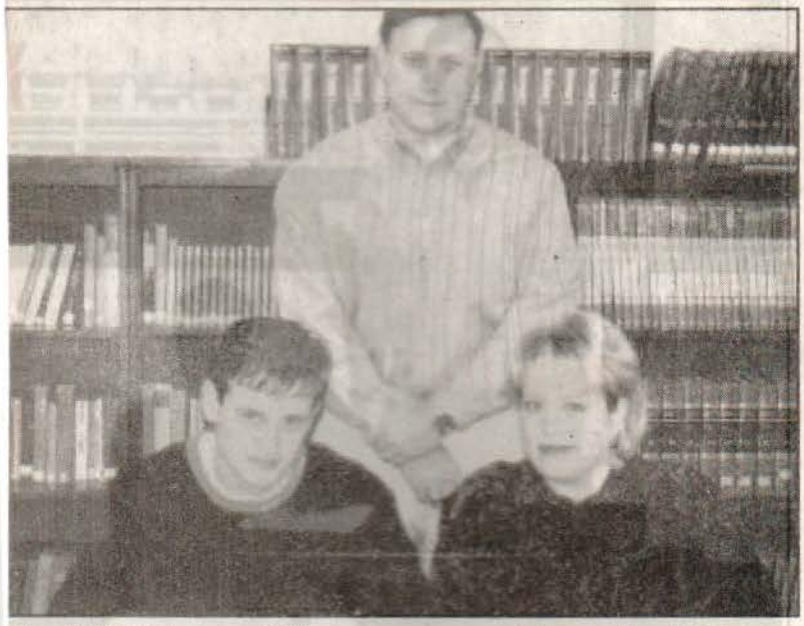
Area students sign with colleges



Coach Nick Brewer of Winston Academy watches as Brandt Peterson signs a letter of intent to play football at ECCC. Brandt's mother, Carol was on hand for the signing.

Coach Nick Brewer of Winston Academy watches as Jason McNeel signs a letter of intent to play football at ECCC. Jason's mother, Melanie was on hand for the signing.

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East Central News

EC football camp runs June 27-30

East Central football camp will run June 27-30 for grades 9-12.

Cost is $120 for full-time campers and $90 for non-dorm campers.

Camp fees include meals, dormitory room for full-time campers, accident insurance, camp tee-shirts and certificates.

Full-time campers must provide linens, blankets and pillows. Group rates are available.

Football 7-on-7 Team Passing Camp is July 13. Cost is $12 per player. Camp fees include lunch and insurance. Participants should bring all needed equipment (football, tee-shirt, shorts, cleats, etc.).

Check-in begins at 8 a.m. with competition at 9 a.m.

Coach Terry Underwood and the Warrior football staff will provide instruction for each camp.

For more information, contact Coach Underwood, 635-2111, ext. 244, 290, 310 or toll free 1-877-462-3222.

Diamond Warriors go pro

Several members of the 1999 East Central Community College baseball team will continue their careers either in the professional ranks or with four-year colleges.

At the top of the list is pitcher/first baseman Jason Willis who has signed a contract with the New York Yankees. Willis recorded the most strikeouts (127) among all 17 teams in Region 23

Freshman pitcher Allen Buckley was also tapped by the Yankees. Buckley was drafted in the 35th round but has decided to return to East Central for his sophomore year.

Four members of this year's squad will continue their careers at four-year colleges. Those players include catcher Brodie Meadows and outfielder/pitcher Chad Champion who have signed with the University of West Alabama; outfielder/pitcher Joey Allen

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BRANDON LB SIGNS WITH ECCC: **Ben Barham** of Brandon has signed a national letter of intent to play football at East Central Community College. Barham, a 6-0, 185-pound linebacker, was the Bulldogs' MVP on defense the past two years.

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Media Day planned Aug. 19 for ECCC football team

"Media Day" activities for the East Central Community College football team get underway at 3 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 19 on the Decatur campus, announced Terry Underwood, head football coach.

Coach Underwood, now in his second year at the Warrior helm, invites media representatives and ECCC supporters to come to campus and meet coaches and players for the 1999 campaign.

East Central begins season action by hosting nationally ranked Northwest Mississippi Community College on Thursday, Sept. 2.

Kickoff is set for 6:30 p.m. in Warrior Stadium.

For more information contact the ECCC Athletic Department, Ph 635-2111, ext 310 or call toll free 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), ext. 310.

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Barham inks with ECCC

Former Brandon High School standout Ben Barham inks with East Central. Barham, a 6', 185-pound linebacker, is shown at signing with father, Bill Barham (seated at right) of Brandon, and Terry Underwood, EC head coach. Barham was twice named to the All Region 3-5A first team. Barham is the grandson of Margaret Barham and the late Rodney Barham of Carthage.

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East Central Warriors will

With the return of 12 starters and 22 lettermen, East Central Community College football coach Terry Underwood said proposals "are very good" for a successful 1999 campaign. Underwood, who begins his second season as head mentor, led last year's squad to a 3-7 overall mark and 3-3 record in South Division competition, predicts a "much improved" Warrior team will take the field.

Offensively, Underwood said the Warriors will again be strong in the running game, and an increased emphasis will be made on the passing attack.

No doubt the Warriors are depending on sophomore quarterback Ti Garner (6', 190) of Brandon, a transfer from Mississippi State University, to lead the aerial assault.

The success of the Warrior offense will also depend on its top returnees, who include running back Steve Henley (6', 220) of Louisville, wide receiver Chris Ray (6', 190) of Seminole County, Georgia; center Samuel Agee (6', 270) of Tuscaloosa Central; and linemen Kyle Watson (6-2, 280) of Neshoba Central and Josh Jones (6-2, 275) of Tuscaloosa Central.

Defensively, Underwood said the Warriors will be stronger against the run and must be successful in stopping the "big plays".

Among defensive standouts are linemen David Daniel (6-2, 270) of Tuscaloosa County, James Keyes (6-2, 255) of Collins and Jamie Nichols (6-2, 290) of Philadelphia; and Brian Jones (6-2, 220) of Victoria, Texas; and backs Michael Beal (6', 185) of South Leake and Freeman Jimison (6', 180) of Meridian.

Handling kicking and punting responsibilities are returnees Josh Hardy (5'11, 170) of Philadelphia and Chris Weems (6', 200) of Newton, respectively.

Returning assistants on Underwood's staff and their areas of responsibility are Steve Kelly (linebackers and special teams), Todd Mangum (offensive line), Tim Coats (offensive coordinator, quarterbacks and running backs) and Fred Lyons (defensive line). Joining the Warrior staff for his first season is Tommy Clopton (wide receiver and tight ends).

East Central begins season action by hosting nationally ranked Northwest Mississippi Community College on Thursday, September 2. Kickoff is set for 6:30 p.m. in Warrior Stadium. The Warriors were picked tied for fifth in the South Division pre-season poll.

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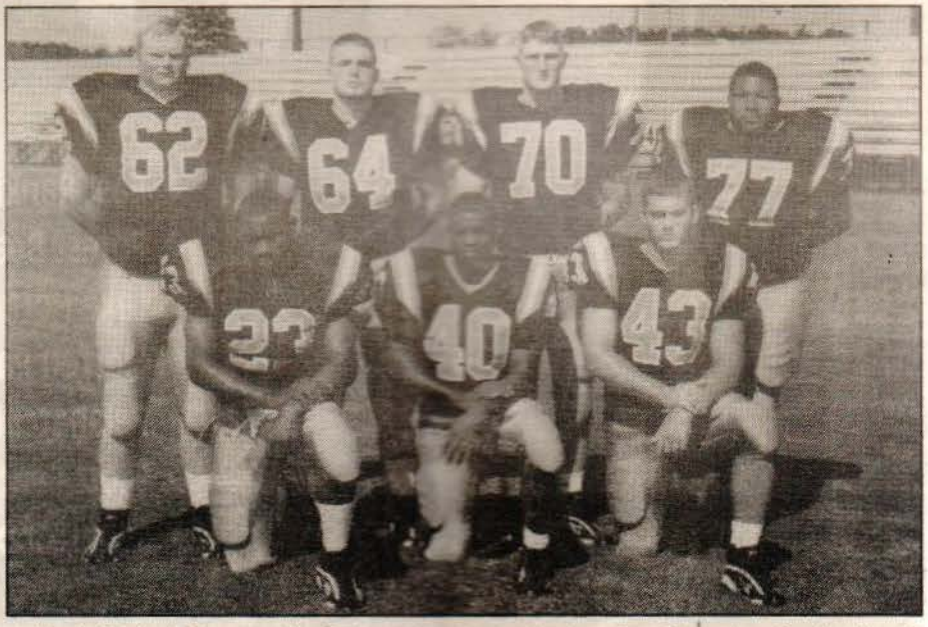

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Public Invited To Meet The ECCC Warriors

The public will have an opportunity to meet members of the 1999 East Central Community College football team during the annual "Meet the Warriors" pep rally scheduled Tuesday, August 31, at Spanky's Texaco Station in Decatur. The event begins at 7 p.m.

Participating in the program will be College president Dr. Eddie M. Smith, Athletic Director Sammy Pace and head football coach Terry Underwood who will introduce team members.

Also featured will be the ECCC football cheerleaders, the Warrior Wall O' Sound Marching Band and the Centralettes, the dance line for the Wall O' Sound.

East Central begins season action Thursday, September 3, when they host the Rangers of Northwest Mississippi Community College. Kickoff is set for 6:30 p.m. in Warrior Stadium.

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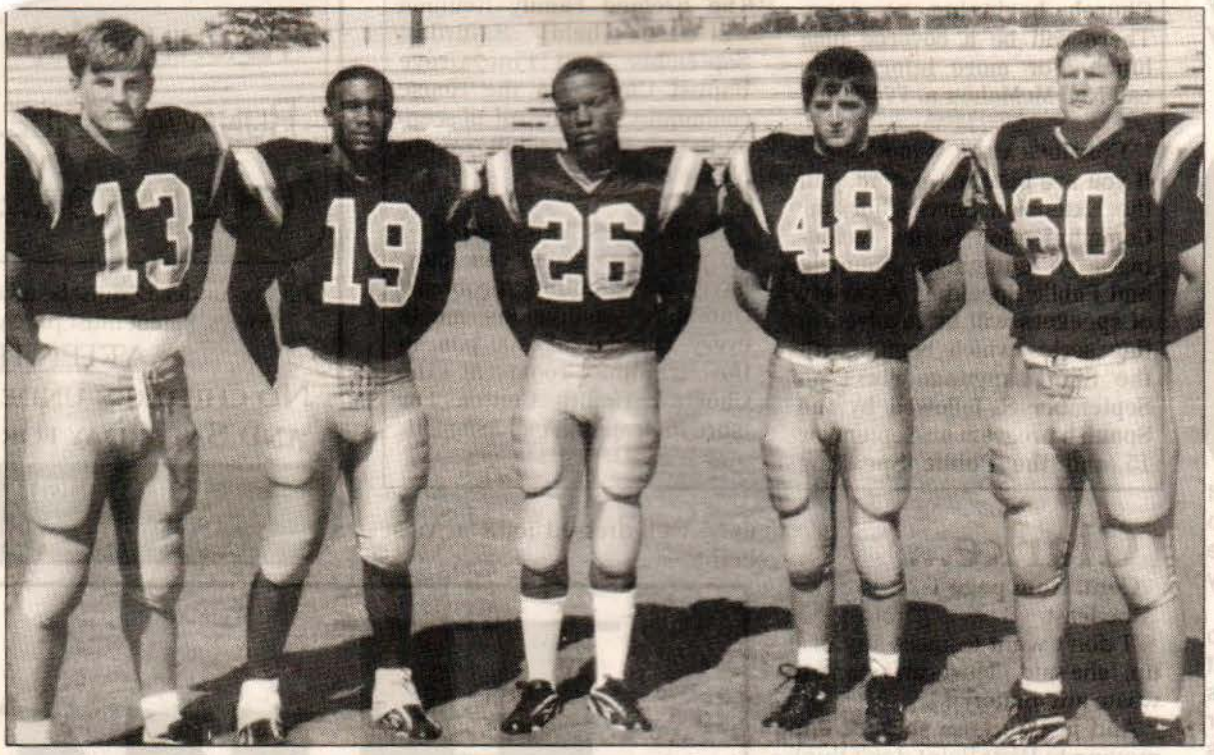

Members of the East Central Community College football team from Newton County are Chris Weems, Rashad Blalock, Terrance Wansley, Curt Blackburn, and Jeremy Smith. The Warriors host Northwest Thursday night at 6:30. The Rangers are ranked No. 2 nationally in the NJCAA preseason poll.

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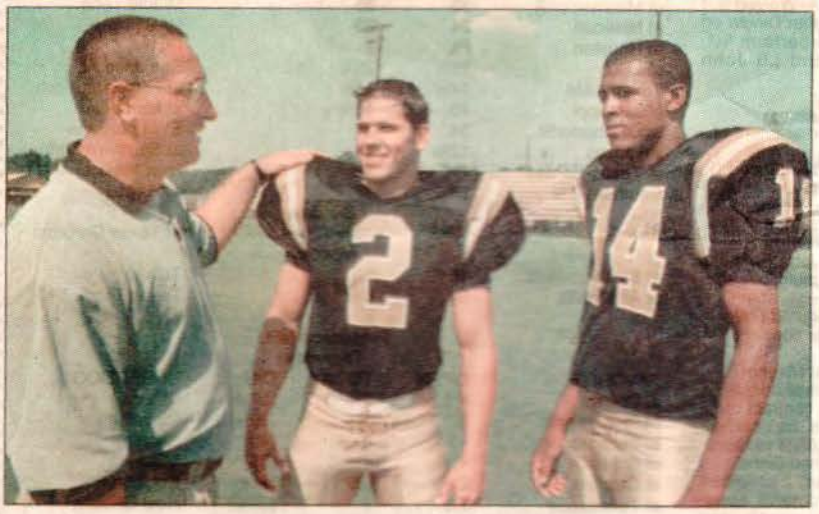

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WARRIOR FIELD GENERALS — East Central Community College head football coach Terry Underwood talks with quarterbacks Ti Garner (2) and Mitchell McKinnon during media days. ECCC opens its season Thursday night at home against Northwest Community College.

ECCC prepares to host Northwest

By **Rocky Higginbotham**
The Meridian Star

DECATUR — Head coach Terry Underwood is hoping for brighter things during his second season at East Central Community College.

Underwood's Warriors were 3-7 during his initial campaign, and it certainly won't take the 1999 edition long to find out just where they stand.

East Central opens its season Thursday at home, as a high-powered Northwest squad rolls into Decatur. Kickoff is set for 6:30 p.m.

Coach Bobby Franklin's Rangers are ranked No. 1 in the nation in one junior college poll, and No. 2 in the NJCAA preseason poll.

Franklin, of course, downplayed the ranking.

"Those things are usually just based on what you did the previous year," said the dean of the Mississippi junior college ranks, who has been at Northwest for 19 years.

"You don't win anything by being ranked in the preseason."

Franklin's Rangers were 9-3 last season, going 6-0 in winning the North Division championship. Two of the losses were to state champ Jones County.

This year's Northwest squad returns quarterback Jason Johnson, who was a big reason the Rangers led the state in passing yards last year with nearly 27.0 per game. Wide receivers Alvin Powell and Jody Jennings are also back, as is tight end Jerry Regues.

"It's tough to open with Northwest," Underwood said. "But, you have to play in this league every week."

Last year, the Warriors stayed with the Rangers for three-plus quarters at Senatobia before eventually falling.

This year, ECCC will look to 12 returning starters, including defensive linemen Jamie Nichols and David Daniel.

The Warrior offense, which is expected to throw the ball more, will likely look to sophomore Ti Garner, a transfer from Mississippi State. Garner, originally from Brandon, will probably look to wide receiver Chris Ray, and the Warriors will also be counting on offense from returner Steve Henley, a 6-foot, 220-pound bruiser from Louisville.

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Sept. 2	Northwest, 6:30 p.m.
Sept. 9	at Itawamba, 6:30 p.m.
Sept. 16	at East Mississippi, 7 p.m.
Sept. 23	Copiah-Lincoln, 6:30 p.m.
Sept. 30	at Southwest, 7 p.m.
Oct. 7	at Hinds, 7:30 p.m.
Oct. 16	Jones (HC), 2:30 p.m.
Oct. 21	Mississippi Delta, 6:30 p.m.
Oct. 30	at Pearl River, 2 p.m.
Nov. 4	Gulf Coast, 6:30 p.m.

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WEEK OF 8-30-99

Northwest rumbles for 705

From Special Reports

JUCOS/COLLEGES

Northwest Community College showed why the Rangers are ranked No. 2 in the nation Thursday night with a 53-8 rout of host East Central.

Northwest racked up a school-record 705 total yards, while limiting the Warriors to 211 yards. Northwest gained 341 yards rushing on 48 carries, and passed for 364.

The Rangers had two running backs top 100 yards and a pair of quarterbacks who passed for more than 150 yards each.

Kelcey Williams gained 135 yards on 17 carries, scoring one touchdown, while Kimario Hentz ran for 105 yards on 10 carries.

Will Hall completed 9-of-12 passes for 197 yards and two touchdowns, while Jason Johnson connected on 7-of-20 passes for 167 yards.

Johnson accounted for one touchdown through the air and ran 36 yards for another.

The receiver of choice for the Ranger quarterbacks was Omar Rayford, who finished with six catches for 198 yards, but the closest Rayford could get to the end zone was the 1-yard line.

Running back Kory Chapman scored on runs of 2 and 13 yards.

Hinds 40, East Mississippi 14

Receiver Reginald Perkins scored three touchdowns to lead

yards in win over East Central

host Hinds. Perkins, who finished the night with six catches for 142 yards, scored on receptions of 36, 26 and 20 yards.

Dante Wright, who rushed for 107 yards on 16 carries, had a 4-yard touchdown run.

The Eagles finished the night with 320 total yards, while holding the Lions to 204 yards.

Itawamba 27, Pearl River 16

Allen Copeland rushed for 143 yards and scored three touchdowns for host Itawamba. Case Asbill added a pair of field goals for Itawamba.

UNLV 26, North Texas 3

The John Robinson era at Nevada-Las Vegas began Thursday night. It came at a good time.

In his first game in almost two years, Robinson coached visiting UNLV to a victory over North Texas, ending the nation's second-longest Division I-A losing streak at 16 games. It also ended the Rebels' 26-game losing streak on the road.

Maryland 6, Temple 0

Brian Kopka kicked two short field goals in the first half and Bryn Boggs made a game-saving block of a last-second pass as Maryland beat host Temple.

Kopka's 27-yard field goal with 7:12 left in the first quarter came after Maryland stalled at the Temple 10. He added a 26-yarder with 3:08 left in the half.

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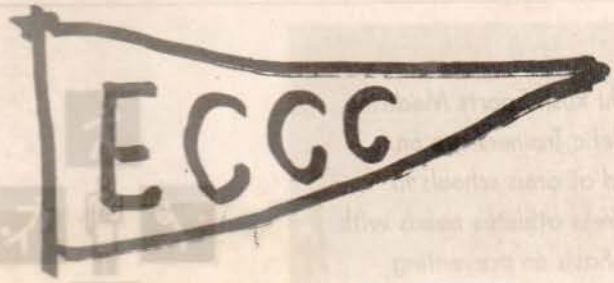
East Central Community College
1999 Warrior Football Schedule

Thursday, September 2	Northwest	Decatur	6:30 p.m.
Thursday, September 9	Itawamba	Fulton	6:30 p.m.
Thursday, September 16	East Mississippi	Scooba	7:00 p.m.
Thursday, September 23	Copiah-Lincoln	Decatur	6:30 p.m.
Thursday, September 30	Southwest	Summit	7:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 7	Hinds	Raymond	7:30 p.m.
Saturday, October 16	Jones (Homecoming)	Decatur	2:30 p.m.
Thursday, October 21	Mississippi Delta	Decatur	6:30 p.m.
Saturday, October 30	Pearl River	Poplarville	2:30 p.m.
Thursday, November 4	Mississippi Gulf Coast	Decatur	6:30 p.m.



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EAST CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE COACHING STAFF--ECCC coaches, from left: Tim Coats; Steve Kelly; Todd Mangum; head football coach Terry Underwood; Fred Lyons; Tommy Clopton; and certified athletic trainer Joey McLeod.

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WEEK OF 8-30-99

ECCC lists probable football starters

Probable starters for East Central Community College's season opening contest with visiting Northwest Community College, scheduled at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, September 2 in Decatur, have been announced by Terry Underwood, Warrior head football coach.

Starting at quarterback will either be sophomore Ti Garner of Brandon, a 6' 190-pound transfer from Mississippi state University, or freshman Mitchell McKinnion(6'3", 180) of Palatica (Fla.). In the backfield will be sophomore halfback Steve Henley (6', 230) of Louisville, sophomore tailback Jamarcus Murray (5'11", 200) of Tuscaloosa (Ala.) County or freshman tailback Terrance Wansley (5'11", 185) of Newton County.

Battling for the starting job at wide receiver are sophomores Chris Ray (6', 185) of Seminole (Ga.) County and Chris Kyzar (5'10", 165) of Leake Academy, and freshman James Davis (5'10", 175) of Boiling Springs (N.C.), Dewaski Burnside (6',175) of Noxapater and Omar Reinhardt (6'4", 205) of Newton Conover (N.C.). Sophomore Marcus Johnson (6'5", 225) of Neshoba Central or freshman Quentin Bowens (6'1", 250) of Brooks (Ala.) will start at tight end.

On the offensive line, starting at quick tackle will be Randy Brown, a 6'2", 300-pound freshman from Tuscaloosa County, or Jeremy Smith, a 6'3", 280-pound sophomore guard from Newton County Academy. At strong tackle will be Josh Jones, a 6'2", 292-pound sophomore from Tuscaloosa Central (Ala.). Starting at quick guard will either be Randy Brunson, a 6'3", 273-pound freshman from Sebastopol, or Reggie Sistrunk, a 5', 11", 290-pound freshman from Louisville. Kyle Watson, a 6'2", 291-pound sophomore from neshoba Central, will start at strong guard. Samuel Agee, a 6', 271-pound sophomore from Tuscaloosa Central, starts at center.

Handling kicking duties will be sophomores Josh Hardy (5'11", 170) and Jamie Nichols (6'2", 290), both from Philadelphia, while Chris Weems, a 6' 200-pound sophomore from Newton, is the punter.

On defense, Hardy and sophomore Michael Beal (5'10", 185) of South Leake will alternate as starters at strong safety. At cornerback will be sophomore Freeman Jimison (5'10", 175) of Meridian. Freshman James Davis (5'10", 175) of Boiling Springs (N.C.) is expected to start at defensive back, while freshman Othese Wells (5'10", 165) of Tuscaloosa Central or Chris Hooper (6'5", 205) of North Springs (Ga.) will start at free safety.

Battling for the starting linebacker slots are sophomore Lacey McBreath (5'11", 217) of Neshoba Central, Shondren Lewis (5'10", 175) of Quitman and Brian Jones (6'2", 225) of Victoria, Texas, along with freshman Ben Barham (6'1", 185) of Brandon, Levi Duncan (6'1", 216) of Eustis (Fla.), Lakendrick Houston (6', 215) of Louisville or Anthony Thompson (6', 215) of Early County (Ga.). Expected to start on the defensive line are sophomores James Keys (6'2", 250) of Collins and David Daniel (6'2", 275) of Tuscaloosa County. Nichols will start at noseguard.

All Warrior football games can be heard on WSSI-FM (98.3) in Carthage, featuring veteran sports broadcaster Mike Goodwin.

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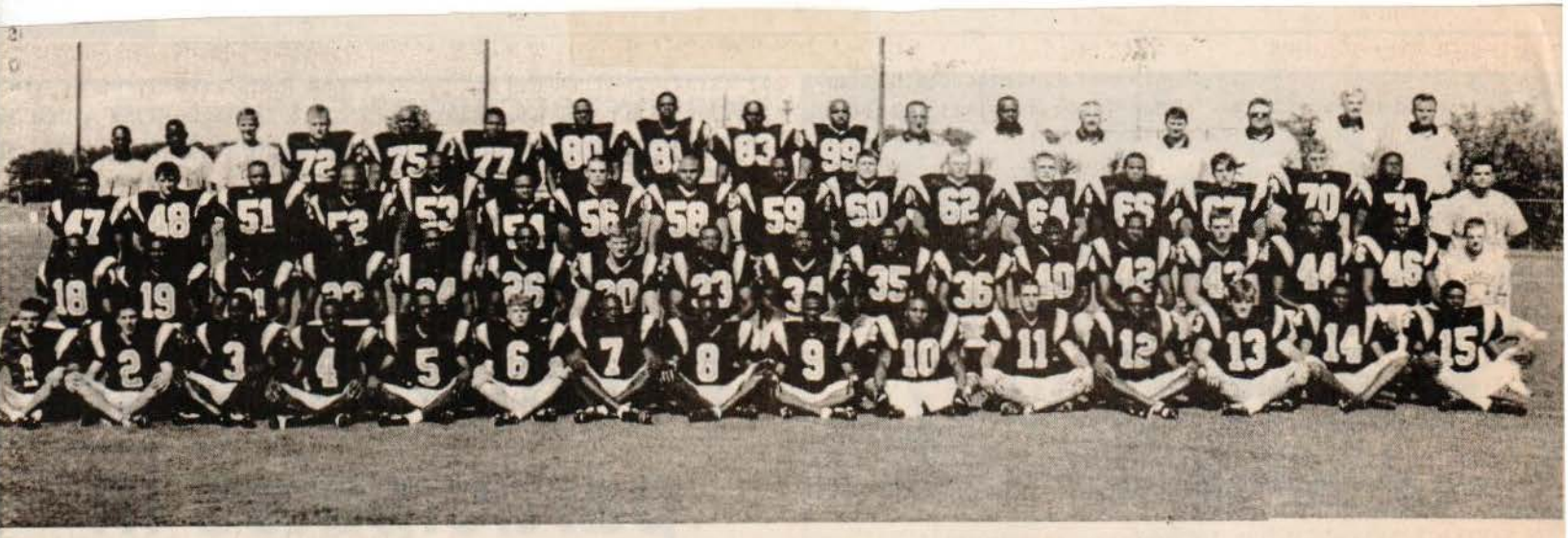

MEMBERS OF THE EAST CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOOTBALL TEAM FOR 1999
front row, left to right: Josh Hardey, Ti Garner, Steve Henley, Freeman Jimison, Chris Ray, Chris Kyzar, Lacey McBeath, Dewaski Burnside, Anthony Hornesbuger, D'Angelo Lewis, Douglas Byrd, Tommy Ford, Othese Wells, Chris Weems, Mitchelle McKinnon, and Chris Hooper; second row, Omar Reinhardt, Rashad Blaylock, James Davis, Birchell Robinson, Shondren Lewis, Terrance Wansley, Ben Barham, Jamarcus Murray, Michael Beal, Keaton Donald, Dexter Cole, Maurice Patrick, Marcus Johnson, Clint Burkes, Levi Duncan, Lakendrick Houston, and student trainer Perry Johnson; third row, Anthony Thompson, Curt Blackburn, Ricky Edwards, James Keys, Randy Brown, Reggie Cistrunk, Brian Jones, Courtney Steele, Samuel Agee, Jeremy Smith, Randy Brunson, Nathan Johnson, Jermaine Crosby, Justin Proctor, Freddie Woods, Raphael Goodwin, and student trainer Brent Bennett; top row, managers Damon Hudson, Jerrell Combest, and Michael Thompson, Kyle Watson, Josh Jones, Latarous Washington, Jamie Nichols, Romale Griffin, Quentin Bowens, David Daniel; coaches, Terry Underwood (head), Fred Lyons, and Todd Mangum; athletic trainer Joey McLeod, and coaches Steve Kelly, Tim Coats and Tommy Clopton. (EC Photo)

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WEEK OF 9-13-99

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BIG OPENING — East Mississippi Community College's Samuel Tisdale (16) hits the hole against the East Central Community College defense during Thursday night's game. Looking to make the tackle for ECCC is Josh Hardy (1) and Othese Wells (12).

ECCC rallies for victory

By **Rocky Higginbotham**
The Meridian Star

SCOOBA — Terry Underwood doesn't look like a coach who got blown out 53-8 two weeks ago.

And by the way, neither do Underwood's East Central Warriors.

East Central went on the road for the second straight week Thursday nihgt, and the Warriors came home with a win for a second straight week, as well. ECCC scored 26 unanswered points in the second half, roaring past host East Mississippi for a 33-13 win over the Lions at EMCC's Sullivan-Windham Memorial Stadium.

The win lifted ECCC to 2-1, while EMCC fell to 1-2.

"It was just a great team win," an elated Underwood said afterwards. "The special teams and defense really stepped it up in the second half, and the offense did what it had to do for us to win."

Underwood couldn't have said it better. After EMCC managed a 13-7 lead at halftime, it didn't take long for the momentum to swing the way of the Warriors.

In a stretch of 6:40, East Central blocked two EMCC punts in the third quarter — big plays that put the Warriors on top to stay.

"I thought we played okay early, but then (EMCC) won the second quarter," Underwood said. "Our coaches really challenged our guys in the locker room to come out and make a big play early.

"The two blocked punts ... to me, that was the key to the game," Underwood said.

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WEEK OF 9-13-99

ECCC shocks Itawamba, 22-0

By MARTY STAMPER
Democrat Sports Editor

Will the real East Central Community College football team please stand up?

Is it the group that got mugged 53-8 by Northwest in the season opener or the group that went to Itawamba and laid a 22-0 spanking on the Indians last Thursday in Fulton?

"What a difference a week makes," EC head coach Terry Underwood said. "I thought our kids responded well. We had talked all week about what kind of character we had. We challenged them about what kind of team was going to show up. We were having to prove something to ourself. They stuck together."

The Warriors also abandoned their one-back offense that was so ineffective against Northwest in favor of a two-back set. It was a stroke of genius as the Warriors finished with 398 total yards, 340 of which came on the ground.

Steve Henley led EC's offense with a career-high 199 yards on 26 carries.

"Last week, they made no attempt to run the ball," Itawamba head coach Jay Miller said. "This week, they came out in a two-back set and ran dives, powers, and sweeps. I haven't seen anything like that since last year when we played them."

"Our offensive line played tremendous," Underwood said. "And the running backs ran hard. We were able to control the ball on offense and that in turn let our defense rest."

The well-rested Warrior defense was event more dominant than the offense as Itawamba didn't cross midfield until just 5:45 remained in the contest. The Warriors allowed only 82 total yards for the night. In the first half alone, EC had 12 first downs to just two for the Indians.

After a scoreless first quarter, the Warriors broke the ice with a 3-yard run by Terrance Wansley with 14:30 to go in the second quarter. Josh Hardy added the extra point.

With just under seven minutes to go before halftime, EC extended its lead to 15-0 as Wansley scored from a yard out. Tommy Ford added a two-point conversion when the Indians, much like Northwest, failed to cover EC's swinging-gate formation.

After neither team managed any points in the third quarter, Lacey McBeath put the Warriors back in business when he recovered an Indian fumble at the ICC 12. Jamarcus Murray scored on a 3-yard run with Hardy's PAT putting the Warriors up 22-0.

"I give the credit to the kids and our coaching staff," Underwood said. "The coaching staff would not accept them not playing well. It's really big to shut out a quality team like that, especially at their place."

It was EC's first shutout since a 44-0 blanking of Southwest in 1987, some 114 games ago.

"Obviously, it's a big step in the right direction," Underwood said. "The kids just showed up and played well. Hopefully, we can take it and build on it."

EC, 1-1, travels to Scooba Thursday night for a 7 p.m. matchup with East Mississippi. The Lions evened their record at 1-1 with a 35-3 whipping of Pearl River.

East Central quarterback Ti Garner (2) got plenty of protection from his offensive line in Thursday's 22-0 win at Itawamba. The Warriors evened their record at 1-1 going into this Thursday's contest with East Mississippi at Scooba. Blocking for Garner are Randy Brunson, left, and Samuel Agee. EC holds a 29-26-4 series lead over East Mississippi.

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East C. dominates ICC

Sophomore H-back Steve Henley rambled for a career-high 199 yards on 26 carries and led East Central to a 22-0 win over Itawamba Thursday night in Fulton. Both teams now sport 1-1 records on the young campaign.

Henley was the major spark in an explosive offensive attack for the Warriors, who compiled almost 400 total yards, 340 rushing and 58 passing. East Central finished with 18 first downs, 12 in the first half.

The Warriors also unleashed a stingy defense, which allowed just 82 total yards and five first downs.

After a scoreless first period, Terrance Wansley gave EC its first score on his three-yard run 30 seconds into the second quarter. Josh Hardy booted the PAT.

The Warriors padded their lead with about six minutes left before the break when Wansley again crossed the goal line, this time on a one-yard plunge. Wide receiver Dewaski Burnside tossed the two-point conversion pass to H-back Tommy Ford for a 15-0 East Central lead.

The Warriors maintained its 15-0 lead at intermission.

Both teams had opportunities to score in the third quarter, but a penalty nullified a 64-yard touchdown run by Itawamba with 11:36 left, and a 46-yard Hardy field goal attempt was wide right with 4:51 to play in the third.

East Central's next scoring opportunity was nixed when Mitchell McKinnon's in the endzone was intercepted early in the final period.

The Warriors added their final score on a three-yard run by Jamarcus Murray. Hardy added the PAT.

The scoring drive was set up when Lacey McBeath recovered an Indian fumble on the Itawamba 12-yard line.

Other EC ground gainers were Wansley, 14 carries for 49 yards; Ti Garner, nine carries for 40 yards; Murray, seven attempts for 39 yards; McKinnon, three runs for seven yards; and Chris Ray, one attempt for six yards.

Garner, who played most of the game, was 7-of-15 for 55 yards passing. Ray caught three passes for 30 yards, while Omar Rheinhardt caught two for 13 yards and Burnside finished with 12 yards on one reception.

Chris Weems averaged 35 yards on five punts.

East Central travels to East Mississippi for a 7 p.m. matchup in Scooba.

EMCC is also 1-1 after a season opening loss to Hinds and a 35-3 slashing of Pearl River last week.

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WEEK OF 9-20-99

ECCC Warriors Roar Past Lions, 33-13

Whatever Coach Terry Underwood told his ECCC football team at halftime obviously had a profound effect, as a "different" group of Warriors overcame a 13-7 deficit and completely dominated rival East Mississippi to claim a 33-13 win Thursday night in Scooba, ECCC continues to lead the series, which now stand at 30-25-4.

EC, improved to 2-1 overall, turned the game around with blocked punts, resulting in one third-quarter score-and putting the contest out of reach with 17 points inteh final stanza. The Warrior defense also played a key roll, and did not allow a first down in the second-half action until just over a minute remained in the nondvision matchup. The Warrior defense was aided by another successful night of punting by sophomore Chris Weems of Newton, who averaged 42 yards on eight kicks. His longest effort was 61 yards.

The Warrios were the first to find paydirt, when sophomore quarterback Ti Graner of Brandon fired a 26-yard strike to freshman tight end Quentin Bowens of Killen, AL., with 2:18 left in the first period action. Sophomore Josh Hardy of Philadelphia booted the PAT.

action by driving deep in Lion terriotry, but the march stalled and Hardy's 41-yard field goal attempt just missed the uprights.

The Warriors were not denied points on their next possession as Murray crossed the goal line form two yards out with 7:25 left to play. Hardy added the PAT and EC stretched its lead to 23-13.

EC's final points came on Hardy's 40-yard field goal with 1:31 remaining. The Warriors had taken possession at the Lion 23, thanks to a fumble recovery by Nichols.

The Warriors begin South Division competition by hosting Copiah-Lincoln this Thursday. Kickoff is set for 6:30 p.m. in Warrior Stadium.

The division battle is also designated as "Be Our Guest" night for area high school seniors who will be admitted free of charge. The special guests will also have the opportunity to win door prizes and will be recognized throughout the contest.

The Lions later tied the contest on a five-yard run with just over five minutes remianing before halftime.

EC found paydirt in the third quarter, with one score resulting from a locked punt and the other points coming as a result of field position caused by the second blocked kick.

The first tally came on a 35-yard jaunt by sophomore tailback Jarmarcus Murray of Tuscaloosa who broke several tackles on his way to the endzone. Following Hardy's PAT, EC took the lead for good at 14-13 with just over 11 minutes left in the period.

After an exchange of possession, East Central padded its lead to 16-13 when a Lions' fumble was recovered inthe end zone by Brooks, resulting in a safety and two points for the Warriors.

EC began the fourth quarter

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WEEK OF 9-20-99

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BREAKING FREE — East Mississippi Community College's Sammy Brooks breaks through the East Central Comm College defensive front last Thursday night. This Thursday night, EMCC plays host to Southwest Community College.

ECCC at home Thursday again

By **Rocky Higginbotham**
The Meridian Star

DECATUR — Terry Underwood has said it before and he'll say it again:

"In this league, you never have time to celebrate. You've gotta be ready to play each and every week."

Underwood is talking about the rough-and-tough Mississippi junior college league, where his East Central Community College Warriors are 2-1 this season.

As sound as those words are, however, it's hard for the Warriors not to feel just a little giddy these days. After opening the season with an embarrassing 53-8 loss to then-No. 1 ranked Northwest, East Central has rebounded with back-to-back road wins over Itawamba and East Mississippi.

Thursday night in Decatur, the Warriors will try to

"We can't rest on what we've done," Underwood said. "I feel great about these two wins, and I think that we're getting better every week. But we can't afford to be satisfied."

Especially not with their division opener. With unbeatens Gulf Coast, Hinds and Jones and ranked Southwest all looming down the road, it's vital for the Warriors to get off to a good start this week.

Copiah-Lincoln comes into the matchup with a 1-2 record after getting whipped 44-8 by Northwest a week ago. The Wolves also lost to Holmes in a 7-3 heartbreaker earlier this year, and they own a 17-0 shutout win over Northeast.

Co-Lin's offense is rated as the state's fifth best, averaging 330.3 yards per game. And while East Central's defense is the state's third worst, that might be a little deceiving.

After surrendering 705 yards in its season-opener

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Co-Lin

"Our defense has really sucked it up," Underwood said.

Quarterback Denard Parks heads up the Co-Lin offense, having completed 29-of-69 passes for 337 yards this season. Clarence Parker has caught nine of those balls for 145 yards and a touchdown.

Co-Lin's Ernest Pitts is also a threat, leading the state with 336 yards rushing after three contests.

For East Central on offense, Steve Henley's 315 yards are the second-highest total to that of Pitts. Henley is averaging 7.5 yards per carry, and has gone over the 100-yard mark in each of the last two weeks.

Last week, it was a couple of big runs from Henley — and a couple of clutch pass completions — late in the game that kept the ball out of the hands of East Mississippi.

The ECCC defense is paced by Jamie Nichols and David Daniels, while Co-Lin's defense is headed up by Johnny Rutherford — who has amassed 37 total tackles so far this season.

WEEK OF 9-27-99

Warriors pelt Wolves, 26-7

The East Central Community College Warriors improved to 3-1 overall and 1-0 in the South Division with a 26-7 win over Copiah-Lincoln Thursday night in Decatur.

Neither team scored in the first quarter. EC had a chance late in the period but Josh Hardy's 42-yard field goal bid came up just short.

The Warriors quickly got their first break of the night as James Keys recovered a fumble by Ernest Pitts and returned it 9 yards to the Co-Lin 11. On fourth-and-1 at the 2, Jamarcus Murray found the end zone to give the Warriors a 6-0 lead with 14:47 to go in the second quarter. Hardy's PAT was wide left.

The Warriors were on the move again as they traveled from their 14 to the Co-Lin 22 where Bobby Hunt picked up a fumble and returned it 67 yards to the EC 11 where quarterback Ti Garner made a touchdown-saving tackle.

The EC defense held and Freeman Jimison blocked Matt Powers' 24-yard field goal try and returned it 53 yards to the Co-Lin 32. On the next play, Garner found running back Steve Henley wide open on the left sideline for a 32-yard catch and run that put the Warriors up 12-0 with 1:38 to go before halftime. A two-point run failed.

"It was a different type game," EC head coach Terry Underwood said. "In the first half, we were able to put the ball in the end zone and play really good defense. Then it looked like we were fixing to put it in again and we had a turnover and the guy nearly goes all the way. That was a great individual effort by Ti to stop him and by our defense to follow it up and hold them and then block the field goal.

"That turn of play set the tone of the game for us. Had they went on and scored and gone up 7-6, who knows if we even win the ballgame. That turn of events was real big."

The Warriors scored their third touchdown of the night in the first two minutes of the second half. After a 44-yard scramble by Garner and a 30-yard toss from Garner to Chris Ray put the ball at the Wolves 2, Murray got his second touchdown from a yard out. Garner passed to Henley for two points and a 20-0 lead with 13:02 remaining in the third period.

Over the next five minutes, Jimison and D'Angelo Lewis both picked off a Co-Lin pass.

The Wolves got their only points of the night with 10:56 left in the contest as Denard Parks teamed with Edward Moses on a 14-yard touchdown toss. Powers added the PAT.

The Warriors drove to the Co-Lin 5 only to have Henley lose a fumble at the 1 with 6:47 to go.

EC then used a freak play to get the game's final points. Hardy's 27-yard field goal was blocked, but Samuel Agee recovered in the end zone for a touchdown after Co-Lin had touched the ball after it had crossed the line of scrimmage. A two-point run failed.

EC finished with 362 total yards, 285 of which came on the ground. The Wolves netted just 106 total yards, 31 of which came on the ground.

Henley led EC with 108 yards on 17 carries and 33 yards on two receptions. Murray had 84 yards on 21 carries.

EC travels to Summit this Thursday night to take on Southwest, 3-1. The Bears whipped East Mississippi 32-0 last week.

All of EC's games can be heard on WSSI-FM (98.3).

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WEEK OF 10-4-99

Warrior defense plays key role in win over Southwest

Prior to Thursday night's gridiron battle between East Central and Southwest community colleges, it was the Bears' defense that was getting all the attention, and rightfully so. After all, Southwest was recognized as the state's top rushing defensive unit, allowing minus 10 yards through four games.

Few observers expected the Warriors to run on Southwest, even though sophomore H-back Steve Henley of Louisville came into the contest ranked third in rushing with 423 yards on 59 carries, an average of 105.8 yards per game. But the ECCC coaching staff issued a challenge to Warrior offensive and defensive units, and both groups responded, resulting in a 12-0 shutout over the homestanding Bears.

East Central has now won its fourth straight contest, and currently has the best overall and division marks at 4-1 and 2-0, respectively. Southwest fell to 3-2 and 0-1.

It was the defense that set up the Warriors' first score -- a one-yard burst by Henley midway through the opening period. Sophomore linebacker Lacey McBeath of Neshoba Central had earlier recovered a Southwest fumble at the Bears' 23-yard line. Henley found paydirt six plays later. Sophomore Josh Hardy of Philadelphia barely missed this PAT attempt.

The Warrior defense kept the Southwest attack in check most of the night, as the Bears never came close to scoring. The Bears managed just 58 yards rushing on 34 carries - and completed only three of 10 passes for 24 yards. Southwest had just five first downs.

The East Central offense got cranking in the second half, and mounted an impressive 62-yard scoring drive in the final stanza to clinch the victory. Henley again got the nod for the tally, as he crossed the goal line from nine yards out with just over three minutes remaining. The Warriors were unsuccessful on the two-point conversion.

Offensively, the Warriors rushed 41 times for 172 yards. Sophomore tailback Jarmarcus Murray led EC with 71 yards on 10 carries. Henley had 51 yards on 20 attempts. Garner completed three of seven passes for 37 yards. East Central has 12 first downs.

The Warriors will be homecoming guests of Hinds Community College this Thursday. Kickoff is set for 7:30 p.m. on the Raymond campus.

WARRIOR TEAM MEMBERS — Student athletes from Scott County who are members of the 1999 East Central Community College Warrior football team include (kneeling, from left) strong safety Birchell Robinson of Forest, linebacker Maurice Patrick of Sebastopol and tight end Clint Burkes of Scott Central; and (standing, from left) offensive linemen Randy Brunson of Sebastopol and Nathan Johnson of East Rankin Academy, linebacker Freddie Woods of Forest and offensive lineman Latarous Washington of Scott Central. (EC photo)

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WEEK OF 10-4-99

East Central rises from ashes to 4-1

By Mike Christensen
Clarion-Ledger Staff Writer

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Call the East Central Warriors resilient. And call them No. 1 — for now, at least — in the South Division of the state junior college league.

After losing to Northwest 53-8 in their opener, the Warriors have reeled off four straight wins, including South victories over Copiah-Lincoln and Southwest.

East Central visits Hinds, 4-1, 1-1, tonight in a key division game.

"The kids did a good job of regrouping after that first game," said ECCC coach Terry Underwood. "We played well the second game, and the kids have improved each week.

"And we must continue to do so, with the people we've got left to play. Co-Lin didn't do us any favors (upsetting Hinds 36-29 last week). I'm sure Hinds is mad and ready to take it out on us."

"They made plays and we didn't make enough of 'em," Hinds coach Gene Murphy said about the loss to Co-Lin. "That was either a wake-up call for us or reality. We'll find out a lot about our character (tonight)."

Last week, East Central ran for 172 yards against a Southwest defense that had allowed minus-10 rushing yards its previous four games. Steve Henley scored twice and ran for 51 yards, boosting his season total to 474, fourth-best in the state.

The Warriors' D held Southwest to 82 yards and pitched its second shutout of the season.

Underwood doesn't foresee his team shutting out Hinds — which is averaging 36.8 points a game — but he feels limiting the Eagles' big-play offense is the key to the Warriors' chances.

in the division, meet in Fulton.

The Rangers, 4-1 and freshly ranked 15th in the nation, have scored 168 points in their last three games since being shut out by Southwest in Week 2, when the Rangers were ranked No. 1.

"I think we've got a good team, but I don't know if we should have been ranked that high so early," said Northwest coach Bobby Franklin. "We need to work hard every week.

"We'll have our hands full with Itawamba. We played a two-overtime game the last time we went down there, and I don't expect anything less than that kind of game Saturday."

Itawamba, also 4-1, has lost only to East Central in Week 2.

"They look to be back on track," Franklin said. "And they'll be laying for us. They always are."

A subplot to the game: Northwest quarterback Will Hall is from Amory, in the Itawamba district, and requested a release to play at Northwest.

The Indians' QB is Ed Porter, a former Jackson Prep standout who transferred from Mississippi State.

Quick hits

Hinds was the last of the state's unbeatens when it lost to Co-Lin. Jones County, the state's other nationally ranked team last week, also lost. It might be time to stop using the word "upset" in this league. "I've been around nine, 10 years, and I think the league is more balanced than it's ever been," said ECCC's Underwood. "I credit good coaching and good recruiting and a lot of hard work. Pretty much anybody can beat anybody now. And that's healthy for the league."

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"Hinds is as good this year as they've always been," Underwood said of the Eagles, who won four straight state titles from 1994-97.

"They are capable of putting up a lot of points in a hurry, and we're not the kind of team that can get into a scoring contest with them."

"They like to play keep-away on offense," Murphy said, "and they'll get after us on defense."

Hinds is fourth in the state in total offense, led by quarterback David Page (854 yards, 8 TDs) and running backs Donte Wright (643 yards) and Thomas McKnight (268).

Northern exposure

First place in the North goes on the line Saturday when old rivals Northwest and Itawamba, both 2-0

Defending state champ Jones is 0-2 in the South and fighting for its playoff life going into Saturday's home game against Co-Lin, 2-3, 1-1. . . . Mississippi Delta, which earned its first win last week, has gotten some spark from running back Danny Smith, who leads the state with nine touchdowns and 60 points. . . . Coahoma, 0-5 going into tonight's game at East Mississippi, put a scare in Pearl River last week, scoring more points (23) than it had produced in its first four games (22). Tigers QB Harold Billings threw for 245 yards and three TDs, more than doubling his season totals in both categories. And Tarnaka Counslor, the former All-Stater from Clarksdale, rushed for 154 yards.

WEEK OF 10-11-99

ECCC falls 24-6 at Hinds

For four weeks, the East Central Community College Warriors had avoided turnovers and giving up big plays.

That ended Thursday night in Raymond and so did the Warriors four-game win streak as Hinds claimed a 24-6 South Division win.

The only scoring in the first half came on a 24-yard pass from Hinds quarterback David Page to Reggie Perkins. Neal Thomas added the extra point as the Eagles led 7-0 at intermission. The 55-yard drive was set up by EC's mishandling of a punt.

EC threatened early in the third quarter as the Warriors drove to the Eagle 12 only to have Steve Henley lose a fumble.

The Warriors pulled to within 7-6 on a 27-yard toss from Ti Garner to Chris Ray in the third quarter. Josh Hardy missed the extra point and with it, the momentum swung back to Hinds.

Two plays later the Eagles got a 66-yard catch and run for a touchdown from Page to Perkins. Thomas added the PAT to put Hinds up 14-6.

With 1:22 to go in the third quarter, Page hooked up with Brad Banks on a 53-yard touchdown toss. Thomas added the extra point.

Thomas concluded the scoring with a 50-yard field goal with 10:35 left in the contest.

The Warriors reached the Hinds 19 only to turn the ball over on downs.

The Warriors were victimized for penalties totalling 150 yards.

EC hosts Jones for homecoming Saturday with kickoff set for 2:30 p.m.

Jones won 31-21 last year and holds a 43-21-1 lead in the series.

After going 12-0 in 1998, the Bobcats have fallen on hard times the past three weeks against South Division competition as they dropped to 0-3 in the league with Saturday's 21-13 homecoming loss to Copiah-Lincoln in Ellisville.

Jones is 3-3 overall.

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East Central's Freeman Jimison (4) celebrates a fourth quarter interception in Saturday's 21-13 win over Jones. David Daniel (99) leads Jimison to the sideline.

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WEEK OF 10-18-99

ECCC stays in playoff hunt

The East Central Community College Warriors stayed in the playoff hunt with a 21-13 homecoming win over defending state champion Jones Saturday afternon in Decatur.

EC improved to 5-2 overall and 3-1 in the South Division. Jones fell to 3-4 and 0-4.

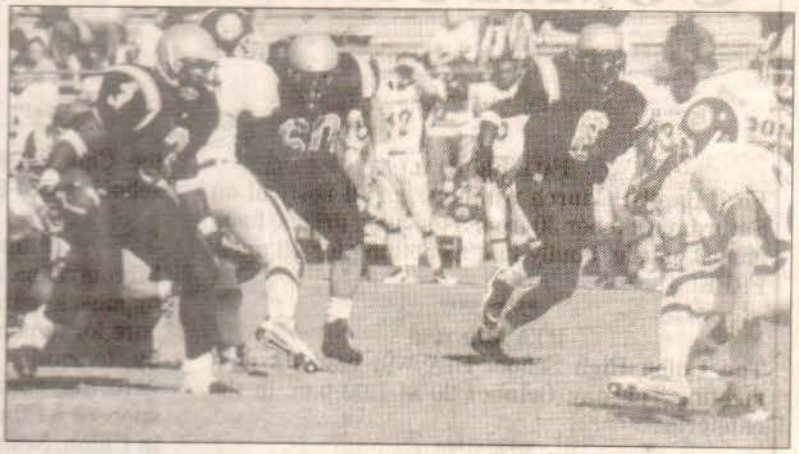
After spotting Jones a 7-0 lead in the first quarter, the Warriors scored two touchdowns in the second quarter and another in the third to go up 21-7. Trailing 21-13, Jones reached the Warrior 21 in the final minute, but a 4-yard sack by David Daniel and three incompletions sealed the win.

Jones struck first on a 17-yard quarterback draw by Keon Carter with 10:34 to go in the first quarter to cap an 80-yard drive. Nick Meinhardt added the extra point.

EC drove 63 yards to the Bobcat 3 only to have quarterback Ti Garner lose a fumble.

The Warriors ended a Jones threat when Keaton Donald picked off a Carter pass in the end zone.

The Warriors got on the scoreboard with 7:15 left in the second period when Garner hit Chris Ray on a short pass that Ray turned into a 46-yard play. Steve Henley added a two-point run to give EC an 8-7 lead.



East Central's Steve Henley (3) finds himself in a one-on-one matchup with a Jones defender in Saturday's 21-13 win. EC hosts Mississippi Delta Thursday at 6:30 p.m.

The Warriors used a big special teams play to extend their lead to 14-7 before halftime. Meinhardt set up for a 24-yard field goal only to have it rejected by D'Angelo Lewis. The ball flew to Shondren Lewis who raced 84 yards untouched. A two-point try failed, but EC led 14-7 with 3:54 to go before halftime.

With 2:24 to go in the third period, Henley scored on a 7-yard run. Josh Hardy's PAT gave EC a 21-7 advantage.

On the first play of the fourth quarter, EC fumbled the ball away at the Warrior 42, but Freeman Jimison snuffed that threat when he picked off a Carter pass at the 28.

James Davis recovered a Jones fumble at the Bobcat 36 with 7:29 left in the game only to have Garner lose the ball at the 12 on a first down play with 4:41 showing.

Carter hooked up with Javon Walker of Lafayette, La., for a 77-yard scoring play just 33 seconds later.

With just under two minutes remaining, Chris Weems punted to the JCJC 1 only to have the Bobcats reach the EC 21 before the final defensive stand.

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WEEK OF 10-18-99

East Central jumps Jones 21-13

An overflow homecoming crowd watched in delight as the East Central Community College Warriors rallied for a 21-13 victory over the defending state champion Jones County Junior College Bobcats Saturday afternoon at Warrior Stadium.

The South Division win kept the Warriors tied with Hinds atop league standings. Both squads sport 3-1 division records with Gulf Coast and Copiah-Lincoln close behind at 2-1 each. East Central's overall mark stands at 5-2. Jones slipped to 3-4 and 0-4.

The Warrior offensive attack was again led by sophomore H-back Steve Henley of Louisville, who pounded the Jones defense for 161 yards on 22 carries. Henley also found the end zone on a two-point conversion that gave the Warriors the lead for good at 8-7 with just over seven minutes left before halftime. Henley's seven-yard dash late in third period action extended the Warrior advantage to 21-7.

The Warrior defense and special teams also played major roles in earning the win.

After Jones had taken the opening kickoff and driven 80 yards on 11 plays, with quarterback Keon Carter scoring on a 17-yard scamper, the Bobcats were looking to extend their lead early in the second quarter but the drive stalled when freshman defensive back Keaton Donald of Noxapater intercepted Carter's pass in the end zone.

Donald's interception sparked the Warrior offense, which promptly marched 80 yards in just eight plays, with quarterback Ti Garner of Brandon and wide receiver Chris Ray of Seminole County, Georgia, combining talents on a 46-yard touchdown strike. Henley;s run for the two point conversion came on a "trick play," as the Warriors were in formation for the PAT.

The Bobcats responded to the Warrior score by again marching deep into EC territory. The drive stalled thanks in part to defensive lineman James Keys of Collins who sacked Carter for a six-yard loss to the Warrior 18 yard-line. After an incomplete pass, the Bobcats set up a 24-yard field goal attempt by Nick Meinhardt, but defensive back D'Angelo Lewis of Quitman scooped up the pigskin and raced 84 yards for the score. The two-point conversion failed, but EC held a 14-7 advantage at the break.

Half-time ceremonies again featured a performance by the ECCC Alumni Band, which performed the Warrior Fight Song with "assistance" from the College's Wall O' Sound Marching Band. The presentation of the Queen and her Court were also made during the break. Alumni were also involved in pregame ceremonies and current members of the Ac'cents, the College's show choir, sang the national anthem.

Third quarter action saw East Central extend its lead when Henley's seven-yard burst capped an 86-yard drive in 14 plays. Josh hardy of Philadelphia booted the PAT, and the Warriors led 21-7 with 2:34 left in the stanza.

After an exchange of possession in the final stanza, the Bobcats moved into Warrior territory but again the drive stalled thanks again to a standout defensive play, as free safety Freeman Jimison of Meridian picked off Carter's pass on the EC 28 yard line.

The Warrior offense was unable to move the pigskin, but punter Chris Weems of Newton boomed a 69-yarder which pinned the Bobcats back on their two-yard line.

After both teams lost possession due to fumbles, Jones narrowed the EC margin when Carter and wide receiver Javon Walker connected on a 77-yard scoring pass play with just over four minutes remaining in the game. Jimison blocked the PAT and EC's lead remained 21-13.

After failing to make a first down on third and one at the EC 44, the Warriors again called on Weems and once again the sophomore responded, as he boomed a 55-yarder to the Jones one yard-line.

The Bobcats quickly drove to the EC 21, but a quarterback sack by defensive lineman David Daniel of Tuscaloosa County and three incomplete passes by Carter sealed the win for the Warriors.

In addition to Henley's 161 yards, tailback Jamarcus Murray of Tuscaloosa County had 52 yards on 18 carries. The Warriors had 234 total yards rushing and 60 yards passing. Garner completed two of five passes, with both receptions made by Ray, including the 46-yard touchdown strike. East Central had 11 first downs.

Weems averaged 50 yards on six punts. On the season, he is averaging 41 yard per kick and has had only one punt returned for yardage (eight yards).

Jones had 286 yards passing and 33 rushing. The Bobcats had eight first downs.

Defensively for EC, Daniel had 12 tackles, including five quarterback sacks, and three assists. Keys had 10 tackles, including three quarterback sacks and five assists. Defensive lineman Jamie Nichols of Philadelphia recorded six tackles and four assists, followed by Shondren Lewis' five tackles. Lewis also blocked a Jones field goal attempt, resulting in a Warrior touchdown. Jimison blocked a Jones PAT.

This week East Central takes a break from division competition to host Mississippi Delta Community College at 6:30 p.m. The Trojans (1-6) lost 34-0 to Northwest last week.

All Warrior football games can be heard on WSSI-FM (98.3) in Carthage, featuring veteran broadcaster Mike Goodwin.

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East Central heads to Pearl River

By **Rocky Higginbotham**
The Meridian Star

The playoff scenario in the South Division of the Mississippi Junior College football league is pretty complicated.

But, for East Central Community College, things are pretty simple: If the Warriors win their final two games, they make the playoffs.

"We've got two big ones left," ECCC head coach Terry Underwood said. "But the most important one for us right now is the next one."

East Central goes to Poplarville Saturday, where the Warriors will battle host Pearl River in a key South Division matchup. Kickoff is set for 2:30 p.m., with Pearl River celebrating homecoming.

Underwood spent three seasons at Pearl River earlier this decade before he came to ECCC, and says the return to Poplarville is a bit of added incentive for him.

"I know a lot of people there," Underwood said. "It's always a big game for me, personally. When you know folks, you want to do well."

East Central has done well in 1999. The Warriors are 6-2 overall and 3-1 in South Division play. The Warriors are coming off a thrilling, 42-41 victory over Mississippi Delta. But while Underwood says it may have been thrilling for fans, it was terrifying for him and his coaching staff.

The Trojans gave ECCC fits with their option offense, one that Underwood says his Warriors will see again on Saturday.

East Central went from trying to defend wide-open attacks against Hinds and Jones to trying to figure out the option last week. Underwood said he hopes last week's lesson helps.

"What (Pearl River) runs is very similar to Delta, and we had a lot of trouble with them.

"It's an assignment deal where you've got to know who has the dive, who has the quarterback and who has the pitch

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man" Underwood said. "Then, you've got to execute."

Pearl River's overall mark is just 3-5, but the Wildcats own wins over Jones and Delta. And, with a break here or there, PRCC could right in the thick of the South race, as well.

"Pearl River has got a really good football team," Underwood said. "They've just had a problem hanging onto the football recently.

"Turnovers is a big thing in this game," Underwood said. "Last week, they lost to Co-Lin 44-14. But they were up 14-7 and about to score again to go up 21-7 when they turned the ball over. Things just snowballed from athere.

"But they're a much better football team than their record indicates."

East Central played last week without starting defensive tackle James Keys, who is the most seriously injured of the Warriors. Underwood said Keys — who has 60 solo stops and 9 total tackles this season — has broken bone in his foot an could play Saturday, but tha his tackle is "highly-question able."

"We're a banged up footbal team right now," Underwoo said. "It's not to the point wher we've got a lot of folks out, bu we've got a lot of bumps an bruises.

"I'm worried about this bal game," Underwood said. "W need to go down there and win."

East Central will try to tak advantage of Pearl River' defense, which ranks as th state's worst with 417.9 yard surrendered per game.

ECCC's Steve Henley is th state's fourth-best rusher wit 811 yards and five touchdowns Jamarcus Murray has adde 523 yards and six scores, whil quarterback Ti Garner has com pleted 42-of-87 passes for 55 yards and six touchdowns.

Chris Ray is the Warrior leading receiver with 27 catche for 493 yards and six touch downs.

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WEEK OF 10-25-99

Warriors Win Shutout With Miss. Delta, 42-41

Steve Henley's 20-yard touchdown scamper with 59 seconds remaining followed by Josh Hardy's PAT gave East Central Community College a thrilling 42-41 win over Mississippi Delta Community College Thursday night in Decatur.

With the nondivision victory, the Warriors are assured of a winning season as their record improved to 6-2 overall. Delta fell to 1-7. East Central is currently tied with Copiah Lincoln for second place in the South Division standings, as both squads sport 3-1 marks. Hinds leads the division with a 4-1 record.

East Central's game-winning drive began at its own 12 yard line with 4:56 remaining. Key plays during the 88-yard, 15 play march, included Henley's four-yard run when the Warriors faced fourth and two at their own 20, and quarterback Ti Garner's 16-yard scramble to the Delta 32. Garner also went four-for-four in the air, with receptions being made by Chris Ray (two for 20 yards); Omar Reinhardt (eight yards); and Quentin Bowens (four yards).

Linebacker Ben Barham recovered a Delta fumble on ensuing kickoff, which gave EC possession on the Trojan 24 yard line. Marching deep into Trojan territory, a field goal by Josh Hardy gave EC 29-13 lead after key play of 72-yard scamper by quarterback Mitchell McKinnon.

Third quarter action saw Delta narrow the scoring gap as Smith tallied on a 12 yard run, capping a 97 yard, 11 play drive. Andrus' PAR cut the EC advantage to 29-26. The Trojans later took the lead with a 27 yard scoring run and good point after - 33-29, Delta's favor. EC scored after kick-off and missed the point after and clung to 35-33 advantage. Ahead only until an EC miscue gave Trojans a fourth touchdown, and two-point conversion, 41-35.

Trojans picked up a Warrior pass and advanced to 28 yard line but EC's defensive stops Brian Jones, Anthony Thompson and a host of other Warriors forced a punt and marched to a last minute scoring drive with successful PAT by Hardy.

The Warriors travel to Poplarville on Saturday for 2 p.m. kickoff homecoming game.

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East Central hosting biggest game of year

By **Rocky Higginbotham**
The Meridian Star

DECATUR — Terry Underwood has preached to his East Central Community College Warriors all season about big games.

This week, Underwood won't have to say a word.

East Central hosts Mississippi Gulf Coast Thursday night, and it's win or go-home time for both squads.

Kickoff at Decatur is set for 6:30 p.m.

"A lot of times when you get to this point in the season, there's nothing left to play for," Underwood said.

"But that's certainly not the case now.

"This is the kind of game you wait for," Underwood said.

"Both teams know what's on the line."

What's on the line is a playoff berth. East Central and Gulf Coast are both 7-2 overall; the Warriors are 4-1 in South Division play, while the Bulldogs are 3-2.

Hinds is also 4-1 in the division, while Southwest and Co-Lin are each 3-2.

But before things get too complicated, consider this: In addition to ECCC playing Gulf Coast, Southwest and Co-Lin also play each other this week.

That means that two of the four teams are guaranteed to lose.

And it also means that — barring a Pearl River upset of Hinds — there won't be any three-way ties to be broken.

"The winner of our game with Gulf Coast is pretty much in," Underwood said.

"There are some other things that can happen. But the winner of our game is going to the playoffs, either as the No. 1 or the No. 2 team out of the South."

Underwood is hoping his team can find the same intensity — and execution — it had last week when the Warriors ruined Pearl River's homecoming by trouncing the Wildcats 46-7.

In that contest, East Central set what might be a school record with 570 yards rushing and more than 630 yards in total offense.

This much is certain: The Warriors had four players — quarterbacks Ti Garner and Mitchell McKinnon and tailbacks Steve Henley and Jamarcus Murray — all reach the 100-yard plateau against Pearl River.

"The kids were really ready to play last week," Underwood said.

"Obviously, we had a big day offensively, but our defense played well and our special teams made some big plays. It was just a good day for us."

Underwood is hoping for more of the same this week, but he knows it won't come as easily.

Gulf Coast's only two losses were by single digits to Hinds and Southwest, and the Bulldogs' 323 points scored leads the South Division.

"Steve Wright is a really good football coach, and he's got a really good football team at Gulf Coast," Underwood said. "He's got great skill people and they're solid on both sides of the ball ...

"They're just as talented as folks like Northwest and Hinds and Southwest."

The Bulldogs have the state's top rushing offense and are No. 2 in Mississippi in total offense.

They're also the No. 1 ranked pass defense unit in the state.

Deloise Moore has run for 784 yards (9.6 per carry) and five touchdowns and Doug Gabriel has 565 yards and 12 scores for the Bulldogs.

East Central looks to a solid defensive unit and Henley — the former Louisville High School standout who has 973 yards and seven touchdowns rushing this season.

JUCO Standings

1999 Mississippi JUCO Football Standings

North Division

	Division	All Games
Northwest	6-0	8-1
Itawamba	4-1	6-3
Holmes	3-2	4-5
EMCC	2-3	3-6
Miss. Delta	2-3	2-7
Coahoma	1-4	1-8
Northeast	0-5	0-9

South Division

	Division	All Games
Hinds	4-1	8-1
East Central	4-1	7-2
Gulf Coast	3-2	7-2
Southwest	3-2	6-3
Co-Lin	3-2	5-4
Pearl River	1-4	3-6
Jones	0-6	3-6

Last week's games

Northwest Mississippi 49, East Mississippi 27
East Central 46, Pearl River 7
Hinds 24, Holmes 21
Southwest Mississippi 26, Jones County 10
Itawamba 31, Northeast Mississippi 13
Mississippi Delta 55, Coahoma 14
Gulf Coast 38, Copiah-Lincoln 7

Thursday's games

Gulf Coast at East Central
Holmes at Coahoma
Southwest Mississippi at Copiah-Lincoln
Pearl River at Hinds
Northwest Mississippi at Jones County
Mississippi Delta at Northeast Mississippi

Saturday's game

Itawamba at East Misssisippi

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WEEK OF 11-2-99

Warriors trounce Pearl River 46-7; host Gulf Coast Thursday for playoff spot

East Central Community College compiled over 600 yards in total offense and handed Pearl River Community College 46-7 whipping Saturday afternoon, spoiling the Wildcats' homecoming festivities.

For East Central, which improved to 7-2 overall and 4-1 in South Division action under second-year head coach Terry Underwood, the win represented one of the College's biggest margins of victory and best offensive performances. The lopsided victory also kept the Warriors in contention for a spot in the state playoffs.

East Central, which has now defeated Pearl River four straight years, received most of its points on long scoring plays. Quarterback Ti Garner found the end zone on a 45-yard run in the first period and followed that performance with a 79-yard scamper in the third stanza. Freeman Jimison tallied on a 70-yard return of a Wildcat field goal he blocked in the opening stanza. Jamarcus Murray crossed the goal line on a a 23-yard dash in the second quarter. Steve Henley outran the Wildcat defense on a 93-yard scamper in the second period and bulled his way into the end zone from 8-yards out in the fourth stanza. Quarterback Mitchell McKionnon completed the scoring onslaught with his 81-yard scramble in the final period. Josh hardy kicked five PATs and had one attempt blocked. The Warriors twice went for the two-point conversion but were unsuccessful on both attempts..

The Warriors will end regular action by hosting Gulf Coast at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 4. All Warrior football games can be heard on WSSI-FM (98.3) in Carthage, featuring veteran broadcaster Mike Goodwin.

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BOBBLED — East Central Community College's D'Angelo Lewis gets a hand on a pass near the end zone against Gulf Coast Community College's wide receiver Doug Gabriel during Thursday night's game.

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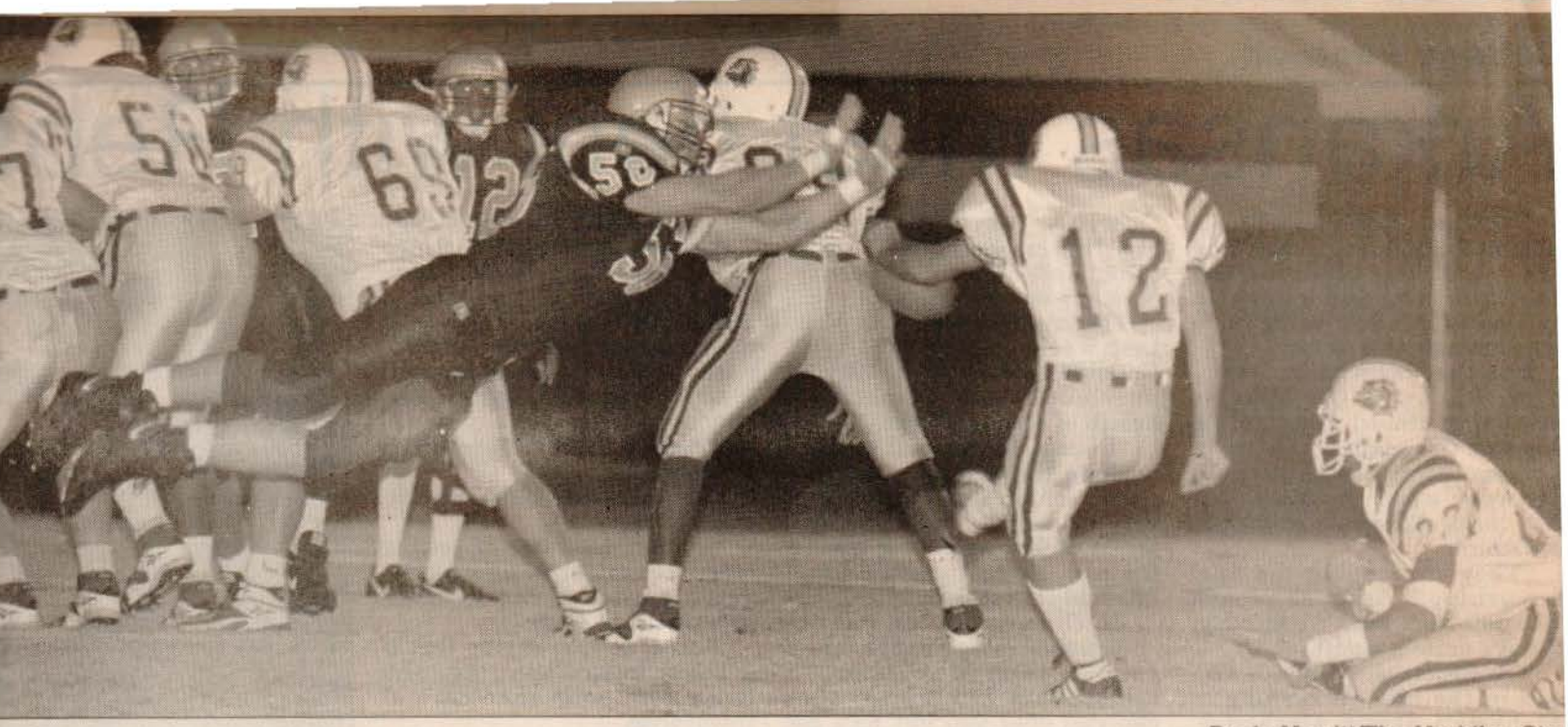

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GOT IT — East Central Community College's Brian Jones, left, blocks the extra-point attempt by Gulf Coast Community College's Ryan Merrill during action Thursday night in Decatur.

ECCC blowout worth playoff berth

From **Staff Reports**

DECATUR — East Central Community College used a 20-point fourth quarter Thursday night to blow Gulf Coast Community College out, 50-12, to secure a spot in next week's junior college football state playoffs.

At 8-2 overall and 5-1 in the South Division, ECCC will play at Northwest Community College, Saturday, Nov. 13 at a time to be announced.

Hinds Community College defeated Pearl River Community College Thursday night to win the South Division title. It will play host Itawamba Community College, also next week.

On Thursday night, Jamarcus Murray led the Warriors in rushing with 136 yards on 7 carries.

Overall, ECCC compiled 512 yards of total offense — 414 on the ground — to go with 16 first downs.

In the first quarter, ECCC's Anthony Thompson scored on a 51-yard fumble return to give the Warriors a 6-0 lead. Placekicker Josh Hardy's point-after touchdown moved the ECCC lead to 7-0, with 11:18 left.

That would be all of the scoring in the first quarter. But in the second, Gulf Coast's Ricky Ricks scored on a 78-yard pass from quarterback Shannon Harris with 14:48 left before halftime. The kick for the PAT was blocked by ECCC's Brian Jones, leaving the Warriors with a one-point, 7-6, lead.

After that, the Warriors took over.

Chris Ray scored on an 89-yard run for ECCC with 14:23 left in the second and Hardy's PAT made it 14-6.

Before the half, Hardy booted a 33-yard field goal to make it 17-6.

In the third, Steve Henley scored on a 53-yard run for ECCC and with 11:12 left in the quarter, Hardy added the PAT for a 24-6 lead.

Not to be left out, Murray got into the scoring act, going in from 2-yards out. The kick for the PAT failed, and ECCC led 30-6.

Gulf Coast wouldn't go away, however, as Jason Armstead caught a 39-yard touchdown pass from Harris with 1:48 left in the third.

The pass for the two-point conversion failed, and ECCC led 30-12.

Then came the fourth quarter.

Murray opened the scoring for ECCC on a 13-yard run with 11:06 showing on the clock. The kick for the PAT was blocked and the Warriors led 36-12.

Ti Garner added a 13-yard touchdown run and Henley a 21-yard touchdown pass from Garner for ECCC. Hardy would add two more PATs for a final of 50-12.

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WEEK OF 11-8-09

Warriors Over GCCC 50 - 12 Playoff Saturday at NWCC

Play-off bound East Central Community College continued to showcase a barrage of offensive weapons as the Warriors overwhelmed nationally ranked Gulf Coast 50-12 Thursday night.

The lopsided victory assured the Warriors a berth in the state play-offs and a rematch with North Division champion Northwest Mississippi Community College in first-round action. Kickoff is set for 1 p.m. Saturday on the Senatobia campus. The Rangers (9-1,6-0) gave EC a 53-8 whipping in the season opener at Warrior Stadium.

The Warriors, led by second year head coach Terry Underwood, completed regular season action with an 8-2 overall record and a 5-1 mark in South Division play, while the fourteenth-ranked Bulldogs finished 7-3 and 3-3. East Central tied Hinds for the division lead but due to the Warriors 26-6 loss earlier in the season, the Eagles were crowned south champs.

East Central, owners of the state's second-best rushing offense behind Gulf Coast prior to Thursday night's contest, had another productive night on the ground with 428 yards. EC had 89 passing yards for a total offensive performance of 517 yards. The Warriors had 16 first downs. And, for the third straight week, the Warriors scored over 40 points.

Warrior running back Steve Henley from Louisville had 973 yards on 133 carries through nine games, easily surpassing the 1000 yard mark against Gulf Coast as the sophomore rushed for 100 yards on 10 carries and now has 1073 yards rushing on 143 carries.

Punter Chris Weems, sophomore from Newton, had another stellar performance averaging 40 yards on four attempts. Prior to the Gulf Coast game, Weems was rated the state's second best punter with 40.3 yard average on 50 attempts. His longest effort is 69 yards, best in the state.

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WEEK OF 12-1-99

ECCC Football Players Receive Various Honors

Honors continue to roll in for members of the East Central Community College football team following the Warriors' 8-3 season.

East Central, which posted a 5-1 South Division mark and shared league honors with Hinds Community College, ended regular season competition with an 8-2 record. The Warriors later fell to eventual state champion Northwest Mississippi Community College in first-round action of the state playoffs..

At the top of the list are players selected first team All-Region 23, who include H-back Steve Henley of Louisville, offensive tackle Josh Jones of Tuscaloosa (Ala.) Central, free safety Freeman Jimison of Meridian and defensive lineman David Daniel of Tuscaloosa (Ala.) County.

The same four athletes were also selected first team All-State along with punter Chris Weems of Newton. In addition, Jones was chosen the South Division's most valuable offensive lineman and Daniel was designated the division's most valuable defensive lineman.

Warriors chosen on the second team All-State squad include center Samuel Agee of Tuscaloosa (Ala.) Central, quarterback Ti Garner of Brandon and wide receiver Chris Ray of Donaldsville, Georgia.

able mention team were offensive tackle Jeremy Smith of Newton County Academy, offensive guard Kyle Watson of Neshoba Central, tight end Quentin Bowens of Killen, Ala., wide receiver Omar Rheinhardt of Winston-Salem, North Carolina; tailback Jarmarcus Murray of Tuscaloosa (Ala.) County, defensive lineman Jamie Nichols of Philadelphia, defensive lineman Jamie Keyes of Collins, linebacker Brian Jones of Victoria, Texas; linebacker Shondren Lewis of Quitman, kicker/strong safety Josh Hardy of Philadelphia, strong safety Michael Beal of South Leake, linebacker Lacey McBeath of Neshoba Central and offensive guard Randy Brunson of Sebastopol.

In addition to individual players being honored, East Central was recognized for various team honors.

The Warriors had the state's top rushing offense, averaging 298.6 yards per game. Henley placed fourth in rushing with 1073 yards on 143 carries, or 7.5 yards per carry. He scored nine touchdowns. Ray placed sixth in the pass receiving category, with 31 catches for 550 yards and six touchdowns. Weems was rated the state's second-best punter, as he averaged 40.8 yards on 54 attempts. His longest effort was 69 yards, best in the state. Overall, East Central's offensive unit was rated third in the state.

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Henley, Daniel, Ray, Garner, Agee, Josh Jones and Nichols were also selected All-Stars and will participate in the annual MACJC All-Star Classic scheduled Saturday, December 4 at Northeast Mississippi Community College in Booneville. Kickoff is set for 1 p.m. at Keenum Stadium.

Those named to the honor-

Defensively, East Central had the third best rushing unit, allowing 127.9 yards on the ground per contest. Top defenders for the Warriors include Nichols, who placed seventh in the state with 75 solo tackles and 25 assists. He also registered nine quarterback sacks. Daniel followed Nichols with 71 individual stops, 27 assists and five forced fumbles. He also had 14 quarterback sacks, second best in the state. Other defensive standouts included Keys, 70 tackles, 37 assists, 12 quarterback sacks and three fumble recoveries; linebacker Anthony Thompson of Blakely, Georgia, 58 tackles and 22 assists; and Jimison, four interceptions and three forced fumbles.

The Warrior football program is led by head coach Terry Underwood and assistant Tim Coats, Todd Mangum, Steve Kelly, Fred Lyons and Tommy Clopton. The coaching staff will present team honors at the annual awards banquet scheduled at 7 p.m. Tuesday, December 14.

WEEK OF Dec. 13, 1999

League runners-up

Winning runner-up honors in the intramural football league championship at East Central Community College was a team called the "Dallas Cowboyz." Squad members include (kneeling from left) Kenneth Culberson, Louisville; Gene Taylor, Morton; Homer Mayers, Lake; and Bryan Johnson, Walnut Grove; and (standing from left) Randal Prince, Louisville; Chad Warren, Quitman; Kaski Moore and Demetric Gray, both of Philadelphia; Kalvin Snow, Sebastopol; and Tywan Stafford, Manhattan, New York. Not pictured are Dwight Agee of Collins. Jesse Morgan of Lake, Roy Page of Taylorsville and Tim Grant of Morton. (EC Photo)

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WEEK OF Dec. 27, 1999

EC football players receive honors

Various team honors were presented at the annual football awards banquet held Dec. 14 at East Central Community College in Decatur.

Recipients included punter Chris Weems of Newton, Academic Award; defensive tackle David Daniel of Tuscaloosa (Ala.) County, most valuable defensive lineman; offensive lineman Kyle Watson of Neshoba Central and strong safety Michael Beal of South Leake, Warrior Awards; Steve Henley of Louisville, most valuable offensive back; center Samuel Agee of Tuscaloosa Central and defensive lineman James Keys of Collins, permanent team captains; offensive tackle Josh Jones of Tuscaloosa Central, most valuable offensive lineman; and free safety Freeman Jimison of Meridian, Kemba Bryant Most Valuable Defensive Back Award.

Also recognized were team members who received All-Region 23, All-State, and All-Star honors.

In addition, Daniel received special recognition for recently being named to the honorable mention All-American team.

Awards were presented by head coach Terry Underwood and assistants Fred Lyons, Tommy Clopton, Tim Coats, Steve Kelly, and Todd Mangum.

MPSA Central Mississippi Classic at East Central CC

Monday, Dec. 27

Sylva-Bay girls 45, University Chris-tian 37
Sylva-Bay boys 49, Macon Central 44
Kemper girls 56, Winston 39
Lamar boys 59, Winston 49
Macon Central girls 84, Newton Academy 16
University Christian boys 79, Newton Academy 50
Jackson Prep girls 64, Lamar 17
Kemper boys 69, Kemper 64

Tuesday, Dec. 28

4:00 – University Christian girls vs. Newton
5:30 – Macon Central boys vs. Newton
7:00 – Leake girls vs. Sylva-Bay
8:30 – Jackson Prep boys vs. Sylva-Bay

Wednesday, Dec. 29

10:00 a.m. – Leake-Sylva-Bay girls loser vs. Winston
11:30 a.m. – Winston boys vs. Jackson Prep-Sylva-Bay loser
1:00 – Lamar girls vs. University Christian-Newton winner
2:30 – Leake boys vs. Macon Central-Newton winner
4:00 – Macon Central girls vs. Jackson Prep
5:30 – Kemper boys vs. University Christian
7:00 – Leake-Sylva-Bay girls winner vs. Kemper
8:30 – Jackson Prep-Sylva-Bay boys winner vs. Lamar

Thursday, Dec. 30

1:00 – girls fifth place
2:30 – boys fifth place
4:00 – girls third place
5:30 – boys fifth place
7:00 – girls championship
8:30 – boys championship

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Recipients of honorable mention all-state honors presented at the East Central Community College football awards banquet include (seated from left) James Keys, Michael Beal, Shondren Lewis, Jamie Nichols, Lacey McBeath, Josh Hardy, (standing) Brian Jones, Quentin Bowens, Jeremy Smith, Omar Reinhardt, Jamarcus Murray, and Kyle Watson. Not pictured is Randy Brunson.

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Hole-in-one recorded at Briarwood Thursday

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Gayle Boyd recorded his fourth career hole-in-one Thursday afternoon at Briarwood County Club.

Playing the 150-yard, No. 16, Boyd aced the par three with a seven wood.

Boyd was playing with Don Hubert and Dale Jefferson.

ECCC women down Jones; Bobcat men win

The East Central Community College women's basketball team improved to 17-3 Thursday night by defeating Jones County Junior College 93-55.

The Lady Warriors led the Lady Bobcats 50-28 at halftime.

Wendy Mapp and Ellake Murray each led the Lady Warriors with 15 points, while Tonya Moncrief added 13 points and Sonya Pinkston 10 points.

Pacing the Lady Bobcats were Katrina Joshua with 13 points and both Kandice McCann and Erica Slayton with 11 points.

As for the men, the Bobcats and the Warriors were tied 23-23 at halftime.

However, Jones outscored ECCC (7-12) in the second half 43-34 to take the victory.

Jones was led in scoring by Demetrice Rigsby, who netted 21 points. Stacey Keyes added 16 points and Brad Richardson had 11 points.

Ken Russell was high-scorer for ECCC with 13 points, with Demando Mingo and Lamond Bowie each netting 11 points.

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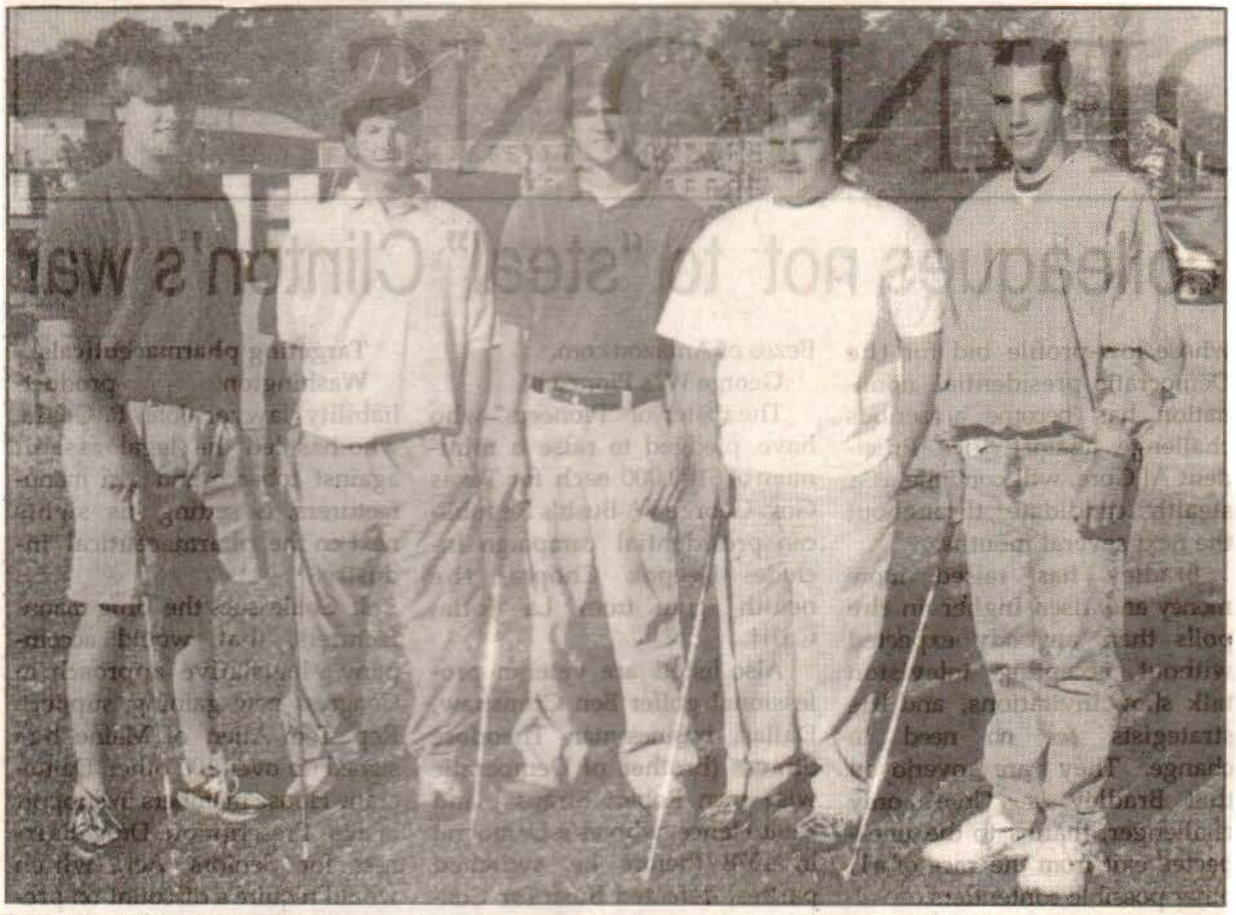

ECCC GOLF TEAM - These students are members of the Warrior Golf Team at East Central Community College in Decatur. Pictured are (left to right) - Jonathan Mills and Ray Waddell, both of Philadelphia; Justin Williams, Union; Bradley Simmons, Conehatta; and Robbie Ford, Newton. Joe Clark serves as coach (EC Photo)

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Jonathan Mills of Philadelphia was named Most Valuable Golfer at East Central Community College for the 1999 season.

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WEEK OF 1-11-99

EC to launch soccer program

One of the fastest growing sports in the country will soon be offered at East Central Community College.

Soccer has been added as an intercollegiate sport at ECCC with competition to begin during the 1999-2000 term. College president Dr. Eddie M. Smith said East Central will initially field a men's team and could possibly offer women's soccer at a later date.

Smith said interest in the sport continues to grow on the local and state levels.

Of the 21 major high schools in EC's five-county district, currently only two – Newton County and Philadelphia –, field soccer teams.

Newton County has programs for both boys and girls while Philadelphia's program is for boys, although girls may compete on that team.

Neshoba Central is expected to field a team next year as is Grace Christian School in Louisville.

Numerous community colleges in Mississippi already compete in the sport. Gulf Coast and Hinds offer men's and women's programs. Holmes-Goodman has a women's team, while Holmes-Grenada, Holmes-Ridgeland, East Mississippi, Itawamba, Mississippi Delta, Copiah-Lincoln, and Meridian have men's teams.

Meridian has dominated Region 23 play since soccer began in the Mississippi jucos.

EC's program will have 10 scholarships which will be divided among 20 players, Smith said.

Smith said a search is currently under way for a soccer coach.

For more information, contact Sammy Pace at 635-2111 or 1-877-462-3222.

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WEEK OF June 28th

LUKE SIGNS WITH ECCC - Jeremy Luke (seated, left) of Newton County High School recently signed a national letter of intent to continue his athletic career at East Central Community College in Decatur. Also pictured during signing ceremonies are ECCC soccer coach Kenneth Thompson (seated right), and Luke's parents Jerry and Johnnie Jean Luke. (EC Photo)

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WEEK OF 06/14/99

Tyler Thomas, seated at left, of Newton County High School signed a soccer scholarship with East Central Community College Monday morning. Shown with Thomas are EC coach Kenneth Thompson, seated at right, and parents Larry and Sandra Thomas, standing. As of Monday, Thompson had signed four players for the 1999 season. They are Thomas, Jeremy Luke, and Joe Cavenaugh, all of Newton County, and Craig Brown of Philadelphia. Tryouts are set for Thursday on the ECCC campus with players to meet at the Brackeen-Wood Physical Education Building.

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Jeremy Luke, seated at left, of Newton County High School signed a soccer scholarship with East Central Community College Monday morning. Shown with Luke are EC soccer coach Kenneth Thompson, seated at right, and parents Jerry and Johnnie Jean Luke, standing.

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WEEK OF June 7, 1999

EC soccer tryouts June 17

East Central Community College will hold soccer tryouts for the 1999-2000 school year at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, June 17 at the Brackeen-Wood Physical Education Building, Warriors' head coach Kenneth Thompson announced.

Participants need to bring all necessary equipment to the tryouts, including cleats, shorts, shin guards, etc.

For more information, contact coach Thompson at ECCC, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, MS 39327 or call 635-2111, ext. 310 or toll free 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), ext. 310.

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WEEK OF June 7, 1999

East Central News

East Cent. announces soccer trials, honorees

East Central Community College will hold soccer tryouts for the 1999-2000 College year at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, June 17, at the Brackeen-Wood Physical Education Building, announced head coach Kenneth Thompson.

Participants need to bring all necessary equipment to the tryouts, including cleats, shorts, shin guards, etc.

For more information contact Coach Thompson at ECCC, P. O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327 or call 635-2111, ext. 310.

East Central Community College recently announced that six former ECCC athletes were named National Junior College Athletic Association Academic All-Americans for the 1998-99 school year.

Honorees and the respective sports areas include tennis player Lisa Chesney, softball players Ragan Mitchell and Ginger Moore and baseball players Linzy Gressett of Carthage, Bo Burkes and Dennis McDill of Leake Academy.

Recipients of the prestigious honor must have participated in one or more sports recognized by the NJCAA.

The 1999 EC graduates will be featured in *Juco Review*, the association's national publication.

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WEEK OF 5-10-99

East Central names its first-ever soccer coach

Kenneth Thompson of Decatur has been selected as the new East Central Community College soccer coach, announced Dr. Eddie M. Smith, ECCC president.

Thompson, who will also teach developmental mathmatics in his new position, currently serves as varsity and junior varsity soccer coach at Newton County High in Decatur, where his duties also include serving as math instructor and junior high football coach.

Thompson will officially begin his employment at ECCC on June 1.

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WEEK OF 1-11-99

ECCC to offer men's soccer

One of the fastest growing sports in the country, soccer, will soon be offered at East Central Community College in Decatur.

Soccer has been added as an intercollegiate sport at ECCC, with competition scheduled to begin during the 1999-2000 term. College President Dr. Eddie M. Smith said East Central will initially field a men's team and could possibly offer women's soccer at a later date.

Dr. Smith said interest in the sport continues to grow on the local and state levels.

'Currently, two high schools in ECCC's district field soccer teams. Newton County offers men's and women's programs, and Philadelphia has a men's team. Neshoba Central High School and Grace Christian in Louisville will begin soccer in 1999.

Numerous community colleges also compete in the popular sport. Mississippi Gulf Coast and Hinds offer men's and women's programs; Holmes-Goodman has a women's team; and Holmes-Grenada, Holmes-Ridgeland, East Mississippi, Itawamba, Mississippi Delta, Copiah-Lincoln and Meridian have men's teams

Dr. Smith said a search is currently underway for a soccer coach. For more information prospective candidates for the position should contact Coach Sammy Pace, Athletic Director, East Central Community College, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, Ph 635-2111 or call toll free, 1-877-GO-2ECCC91-877-462-32220,ext.246.

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WEEK OF 1-11-99

East Central CC begins search for soccer coach

One of the fastest growing sports in the country will soon be offered at East Central Community College.

Soccer has been added as an intercollegiate sport at ECCC, with competition scheduled to begin during the 1999-2000 term. College President Dr. Eddie Smith said East Central will initially field a men's team and could possibly offer women's soccer at a later date.

Dr. Smith said interest in the sport continues to grow on state and local levels.

Currently, two high schools in ECCC's district field soccer teams. Newton County offers men's and women's programs, and Philadelphia has a men's team. Neshoba Central High School and Grace Christian School in louisville will begin soccer in 1999.

Numerous community colleges also compete in the popular sport. Mississippi Gulf Coast and Hinds offer men's and women's programs; Holmes-Goodman has a women's team; and Holmes-Grenada, Holmes-Ridgeland, East Mississippi, Itawamba, Mississippi Delta, Copiah Lincoln and Meridian have men's teams.

Dr. Smith said a search is currently underway for a soccer coach. For more information prospective candidates for the position should contact Sammy Pace, athletic director, East Central Community College, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327. Or call 635-2111, ext. 246.

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WEEK OF 7-5-99

MURCHISON JOINS ECCC SOCCER TEAM

Tip Murchison of Morton has signed a national letter of intent to play soccer at East Central Community College in Decatur. Murchison (5 - 7, 140) is shown during signing ceremonies with ECCC soccer coach Kenneth Thompson. Murchison previously participated on the Olympic Development Team and Brandon Select squad. His parents are Donnie and Vivian Murchison of Morton. (EC Photo)

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WEEK OF 7-5-99

East Central awards GED certificates

A high school education became a reality for approximately 40 adult students who received their GED (General Education Development) certificates at the annual commencement program held Monday, June 21 at East Central Community College in Decatur. The special ceremony was held at 7 p.m. in Huff Auditorium.

Among those participating in the program included Dr. Eddie M. Smith, College president, who awarded diplomas in addition to providing the welcome and other remarks; Dr. Phil Sutphin, dean of instruction, presented candidates for graduation; Sandy Comans, invocation; Wayne Comans, soloist; and Edward McGowan, benediction.

Providing special remarks was graduates Evelyn Lowell, Louise Killens, Patricia Williams, Joaquin Moore and Pat Robertson.

Candidates for graduation were: Scott County - Corey Cox, Lake; Tia Fletcher and Catherine Kyzar, both of Forest; and Brenda Griffin and Stella Ann Taylor, both of Morton.

EC tags Thompson as soccer coach

Kenneth Thompson of Decatur was recently selected to lead the new soccer program at East Central Community College in Decatur. In addition to his duties as soccer coach, Thompson will also teach developmental mathematics.

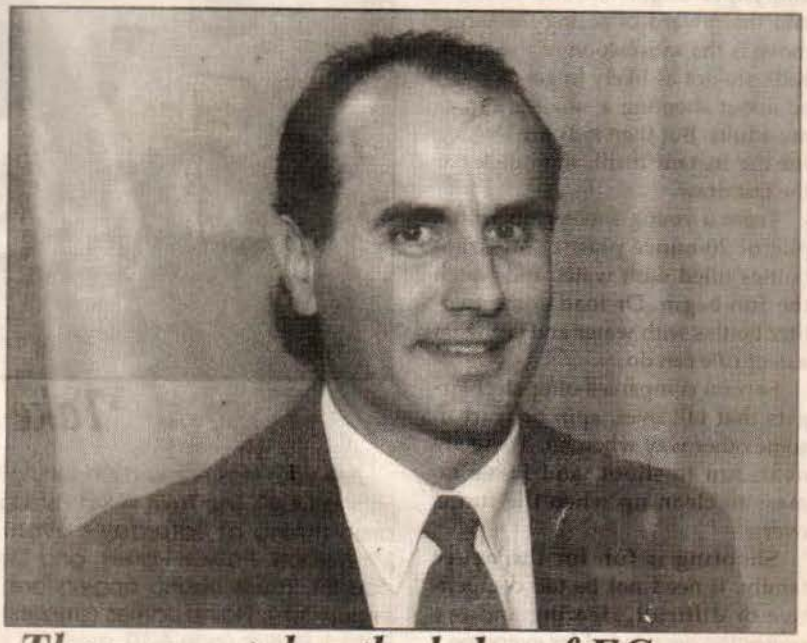
Prior to joining the ECCC staff, Thompson served as varsity and junior varsity soccer coach at Newton County High School, where he also taught mathematics and coached junior high football.

He was a former football coach at Hickory High School, where his duties also included teaching mathematics, English, reading, health and physical education.

A graduate of Morton High School, Thompson received his associate's degree from East Central and his bachelor's degree from Mississippi State University. He is presently enrolled in the master's degree program at MSU and has completed further studies at Mississippi College in Clinton.

Thompson is married to the former Cindy Russell of Decatur. They have three children, twins Will and Russ, five, and Samm, two.

The college is constructing a new soccer field on the north end of the campus above the softball complex. Soccer competition will begin during the fall semester. For more information about the new program contact Coach Thompson at ECCC, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, MS 39327, phone 635-2111, ext. 310, or toll free 1-877-462-3222.



Thompson takes the helm of EC soccer

Kenneth Thompson has been named the new soccer coach at East Central Community College in Decatur. The former Newton County High School soccer coach will head the new EC soccer program beginning this fall.(EC Photo)

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WEEK OF JUL 5 1999

Dwight Brannon, a product of Newton County High School recently signed a national letter of intent to play soccer at East Central Community College. Brannon, whose position is midfield, is shown during signing ceremonies with EC soccer coach Kenneth Thompson. Brannon served as captain of the Cougar soccer team during the 1997-98 school term. He will be a sophomore this fall. His parents are Thomas and Sandra Brannon of Collinsville.

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WEEK OF July 13, 1999

Murchison inks with East Central

Tip Murchison of Morton has signed a national letter of intent to play soccer at East Central Community College in Decatur. Murchison,(5-7, 140) is pictured here at signing ceremonies with ECCC soccer coach Kenneth Thompson. Murchison previously participated on the Olympic Development Team and Brandon Select Squad. He is the son of Donnie and Vivian Murchison of Morton.(EC photo)

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WEEK OF July 26, 1999

Soccer signee

Tim Stewart of Walnut Grove signs to play soccer at East Central Comm. College. Stewart, a 6-2, 205-pound goal keeper and product of Sebastopol HS, is shown with father (at right), Mike Stewart of Walnut Grove, and (standing) EC soccer coach Kenneth Thompson.

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WEEK OF July 26, 1999

LANIER SIGNS ECCC SOCCER SCHOLARSHIP - Justin Lanier of Little Rock recently signed a national letter of intent to play soccer at East Central Community College in Decatur. Lanier, a 5-6, 130-pound defender, is a product of Newton County High School. the incoming sophomore is shown during signing ceremonies with (standing from left) his parents, Dr. Danny and Janet Lanier of Little Rock, and ECCC soccer coach Kenneth Thompson. (EC Photo)

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WEEK OF July 26, 1999

SANDERS INKS WITH ECCC - Newton County High School product Josh Sanders of Little Rock has signed a national letter of intent with the East Central Community College soccer team. Sanders, 1 6-4, 165-pound incoming sophomore, is shown during signing ceremonies with ECCC soccer coach Kenneth Thompson. Sanders is the son of Cathy Mitchell of Little Rock. (EC Photo)

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WEEK OF July 26, 1999

THE SCOTT COUNTY TIMES

Craig to play East Central soccer

Michael Craig of Morton has signed a national letter of intent to play soccer at East Central Community College in Decatur. Craig, a 5-8, 150-pound incoming sophomore, is shown during signing ceremonies with ECCC soccer coach Kenneth Thompson. Craig's parents are Marcus and Cindy Craig of Tyler, Texas.

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WEEK OF 8-23-99

ECCC begins soccer season August 28

East Central Community College begins its first-ever soccer season this weekend when the Warrior host Holmes Community College at 5 p.m., Saturday, August 28. The nondivision matchup wil be played at the Newton County High School soccer field in Decatur.

Coach Kenneth Thompson said his squad is ready to begin history.

"Our guys have really worked hard and are in great condition. We are looking forward to participating in the first soccer game for the College, and invite fans to come out and provide support not only for the historic first game but throughout the season as well."

Following the season opener, the Warrior soccer team will be on the road for three straight contests. East Central travels to Itawamba (4 p.m. Tuesday, August 31), East Mississippi (2 p.m. Friday, September 3) and Copiah-Lincoln (5 p.m. Saturday, September 11) before returning to home action against Gulf Coast at 5 p.m. Tuesday, September 14. By then, Coach Thompson said he hopes the new Warrior soccer field will be ready for competition.

Soccer team members include Dwight Brannon, Collinsville; Craig Brown and Jess May, both of Philadelphia; John Cartwright, Corinth; Joe Cavenaugh, Jeremy Luke and Tyler Thomas, all of Chunky; Michael Craig and Tip Murchinson, both of Morton; Chris Denney, Jackson; Bobby Gibson, Meridian; Brett Hossley, Vicksburg; Justin Lanier, Carl Luke and Josh Sanders, all of Little Rock; Tim Pittman, Forest; Timothy Stewart, Walnut Grove; and Chad Woodall, Carthage. Austin Cunningham of Union serves as manager.

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WEEK OF 8-30-99

MCC, East Central win soccer opener

From Staff Reports

Both Meridian Community College and East Central Community College got their 1999 soccer seasons off to a great start with victories Saturday.

In Meridian, the No. 6 ranked Eagles downed visiting Gordon College 7-1, while in Decatur, East Central won its first-ever soccer match in a 5-0 decision over Holmes-Goodman.

• MCC 7, Gordon College 1: After the Eagles fell behind on a quick goal by Todd Edwards of Gordon, they ran off seven unanswered goals to win easily.

Damani Ralph got the scoring started for the Eagles at the 37:08 mark of the first half to tie things at 1-1.

It stayed that way until less than 10 minutes remained before intermission, when MCC tallied three quick goals to take control.

Jose Figuero, on an assist from Lee Baldwin, scored the first of the trio, followed by Baldwin and Ralph to make it 4-1. Two Andrew McCloud goals — one on an assist from Baldwin — to open the second half made it 6-1, and Jeremy Desorneaux scored on an assist from Ty Robinson to finish out the scoring for Meridian.

"It was a good home-opener for us," Meridian coach Steve Clements said.

"But we'll have to step it up next week."

MCC, now 1-0, will go to Young Harris Saturday for its next action.

• **ECCC 5, Holmes-Goodman 0:** In the first-ever soccer match for the school, coach Kenneth Thompson's squad rolled to an easy win over Holmes-Goodman at Newton County High School.

ECCC's field is not yet ready.

Clarkdale product Chad Woodall scored the first-ever ECCC goal, then goals from former Newton County standout Joe Cavenaugh and John Cartwright pushed the lead to 3-0 at intermission.

Brett Hossley made it 4-0 in the second half, and ex-Philadelphia standout Craig Brown finished out the scoring with the final goal.

East Central (1-0) now goes to

Local Sports

Itawamba Tuesday at 4 p.m. for its next action, and is also slated to go to East Mississippi on Friday.

Prep Football

• **Seminary 30, Clarkdale 6:** Coach Mark Taylor's Bulldogs lost their Friday opener at Seminary, falling 30-6 to the host squad.

Clarkdale's only touchdown in the contest came on a four-yard pass from Mike Messina to Mark Taylor.

Messina finished 10-of-31 passing for 93 yards, while Taylor had six receptions for 37 yards. Thomas Walters had four catches for 40 yards, and eighth-grader Kevin Matthews led the Bulldogs with 49 yards on eight rushes.

Prep Softball

• **Newton County 11, Quitman 1:** Newton County High School rolled to an 11-1 slow-pitch softball victory over Quitman Friday in Decatur.

Christy Reynolds was the winning pitcher, improving to 4-1 on the year.

NCHS (6-1) scored tw in the third, eight in the and one in the fifth. Q scored its run in the four

Dominique Mapp led County with a triple, Shelly Ferguson belted run.

NCHS returns to Tuesday night at Nox Monday's makeup of a game at Clarkdale ha postponed again.

Prep Soccer

• **Lamar 6, He Academy 0:** The Lamar Lady Raiders have a begun their 1999 soccer and they did so on a w note.

Lamar knocked off H Academy of Columbus, 6-

Kelly Brown and Ma Kahlmus each had a big the Lady Raiders, scori goals apiece. Brown also one assist, while Jennife scored one goal and h assist.

Leslie Sims added L other goal, while Je Russell and Lisa Swart each had one assist in the for the Lady Raiders.

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WEEK OF 9-6-19

ECCC loses first soccer match

East Central Community College lost its first soccer match on the young campaign last week, a 5-2 decision to host East Mississippi Friday afternoon.

Scoring for the Warriors, who are now 1-1-1, were Tip Murchison of Morton and Joe Cavenaugh of Chunky.

In other action last week, the Warriors and Itawamba battled toa 2-2 tie in Fulton on August 31. East Central scorers were Craig Brown of Philadelphia and Chad Woodall of Carthage.

East Central has an open date on Wednesday, Sept. 8, and will begin South Division competition by traveling to Copiah-Lincoln Community College on Sat., Sept. 11, for a 5 p.m. matchup in Wesson. The Warriors journey to Gulf Coast on Tuesday, Sept. 14 for a 5 p.m. division contest in Perkinson.

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WEEK OF 9-13-99

ECCC soccer Warriors drop 2-1 decision at Co-Lin

South Division competition began on a disappointing note for the East Central Community soccer team which feel 2-1 to host Copiah-Lincoln Saturday afternoon in Wesson. The loss dropped EC's record to 1-2-1 while Co-Lin improved to 1-1-1.

The homestanding Wolves scored first in the division matchup when Tate Smith was successful on a penalty kick at the 14:10 mark in first half action. East Central's Chad Woodall of Carthage evened the match with his goal at the 14:59 mark in the scond half. Co-Lin broke the deadlock a short time later on B.J. Lawrence's goal.

East Central had 15 attempted shots compared to eight for Co-Lin.

In games scheduled this week, East Central travels to Gulf Coast for a 5 p.m. division match on Wednesday, Sept. 15, and hosts Jones at 3 p.m., Sat., Sept. 18, in another division contest. The Warriors entertain division foe Pearl River at 4 p.m. Wed., Sept. 22, at the Newton County High School soccer field in Decatur.

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WEEK OF 9-20-99

ECCC Soccer Warriors fall to Jones, Gulf Coast

East Central Community College's first soccer team saw its record fall 1-4-1 following losses to Jones and Gulf Coast last week.

The Soccer Warriors were outscored 3-1 by the visiting Bobcats on Saturday and fell to homestanding Gulf Coast 4-0 on Wednesday, Sept. 15.

Against Jones, Joe Cavenaugh of Chunky was the lone scorer for East Central. Cavenaugh's goal came late in second half action. Bobcat scorers were Josh Weird (2) and Max Grimaido. Gulf Coast was led by Trey Turner, who gave the Bulldogs an early 1-0 lead, and Dominic Virgilio who made the last three goals.

In games scheduled this week, East Central hosts Pearl River at 4 p.m. Wednesday and will entertain East Mississippi at 1 p.m. Saturday. Both matches will be held on the Newton County High School soccer field in Decatur. The Warriors have an open date on Tuesday, Sept. 28.

Maxine Sullivan

New ECCC Dorm Supervisor

Maxine Sullivan recently joined the staff at East Central Community College in Decatur. Sullivan serves as dorm supervisor for Jackson Hall. Prior to her new position, Sullivan worked in sales for Unclaimed Freight in Jackson. She is a graduate of Morton Attendance Center. She has a daughter, Glenda Sullivan. (EC Photo)

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WEEK OF 9-20-99

1999 East Central Community College Soccer Team

Above are members of the first soccer team at East Central Community College in Decatur. Seated from left are forward Chad Woodall, Carthage; sweeper Michael Craig, Morton; defender Justin Lanier, Little Rock; midfielder John Cartwright, Corinth; midfielder Tip Murchison, Morton; and defender Jess May, Philadelphia. Kneeling from left are forward Joe Cavenaugh, Chunky; stopper/keeper Brett Hossley, Vicksburg; midfielder Jeremy Luke, Chunky; keeper Chris Denney, Brandon; midfielder Craig Brown, Philadelphia; defender Bobby Gibson, Meridian; and midfielder Tyler Thomas, Chunky. Standing from left are Roy Pete, assistant coach; manager/trainer Austin Cunningham, Union; defender Tim Pittman, Forest; stopper Josh Sanders, Little Rock; defender/midfielder Dwight Brannon, Collinsville; keeper/defender Timothy Stewart, Walnut Grove; trainer Perry Johnson, Lena; and Kenneth Thompson, head coach. The Soccer Warriors began the 1999 campaign by defeating Holmes/Goodman 5-0.

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WEEK OF 9-27-99

Murchison of Morton breaks tie for EC soccer win

Tip Murchison's goal in second half action broke a 1-1 tie and gave the East Central Community College soccer team a 2-1 win over visiting East Mississippi Community College Saturday afternoon. Murchison, a freshman midfielder from Morton, was assisted in making the goal by freshman stopper Josh Sanders of Newton County High School.

East Central midfielder Craig Brown of Philadelphia had tied the match early in second half, after East Mississippi's Jamison Evans had given his team a 1-0 lead at the break.

With the win, the Soccer Warriors improved to 2-5-1 and snapped a five-game losing streak. The non-division victory also ended the first half of season play on a successful note.

In other action last week, East Central fell 6-1 to visiting Pearl River on Sept. 22. Brown scored for ECCC.

East Central, 2-5-1, has an open date on Tuesday, Sept. 28, and begins second half action with an 11 a.m. match scheduled Saturday, Oct. 2 at Holmes/Ridgeland. The Soccer Warriors host Copiah-Lincoln at 330 p.m. Wed., Oct. 6. East Central home games are held at the Newton County High School soccer field.

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WEEK OF 9-27-99

East Central Community College Soccer 1999

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
September 22	Pearl River	Home	4:00
September 25	East Mississippi	Home	1:00
September 28	Open		
Ocotber 2	Holmes Ridgeland	Away	11:00
October 5	Co-Lin	Home	3:30
October 9	Gulf Coast	Away	2:00
October 13	Jones	Home	4:00
October 16	Holmes Ridgeland	Home	10:00
October 19	Pearl River	Away	4:00
October 23	Itawamba	Home	1:00
October 27	Hinds	Away	7:00
October 29	State Tournament #1 North vs. #2 South #2 North vs. #1 South		
October 30	State Tournament Winner Match 1vs. Winner Match 2		

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WEEK OF 10-25-99

Craig boots three goals as Soccer Warriors tie

East Central Community College's soccer team completed home action by registering a 4-4 tie with Itawamba Community College Saturday afternoon.

The Soccer Warriors, whose record stands at 3-10-2, were led in scoring by Michael Craig who had three goals. Josh Sanders of Newton County also scored for East Central. Assists were made by Sanders (2), Craig and Justin Lanier of Newton County.

Shane Davis scored all four goals for Itawamba.

The Soccer Warriors led 4-2 at halftime.

East Central will conclude its first season by traveling to Hinds Community College on Wednesday, October 27. Action gets underway at 7 p.m. on the Raymond campus.

East Central Scott Couhnty soccer players

These athletes from Scott county are members of the 1999 soccer team at East Central Community College in decatur. From left are forward/midfielder Michael Craig of Morton; defender Tim Pittman of Forest. keeper Tim Stewart of Sebastopol and midfielder/forward Tip Murchison of Morton. Kenneth Thompson serves as head coach.(EC photo)

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WEEK OF 10-25-99

SOCCER

Decatur Shooting Stars 10 - Laurel Blue Devils, 0

At Saturday's soccer game between the Decatur Shooting Stars and the Laurel Blue Devils, Decatur won by a score of 10-0.

Those making goals for the Shooting Stars were; Bryce Barber - 4 points; Beau Engle - 3 poings; Jackson Therrien - 3 points. Those making saves were: Joey Bishop - 2; Jacob Little - 1; Drew Carley - 1; and Jackson Therrien - 1.

ECCC 4 Itawamba 4 - Tie

The ECCC Soccer Warriors, record 3-10-2, were led in scoring by Michael Craig who had three goals. Josh Sanders of Newton County also scored for EC. Assists were made by Sanders (2), Craig and Justin Lanier of Newton County.

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WEEK OF 11-2-99

Members of the East Central Community College soccer team from Newton County High School are (kneeling from left) Justin Lanier, Tyler Thomas, Joe Cavenaugh, (back row) manager Austin Cunningham, Dwight Brannon, Josh Sanders, Jeremy Luke, and Carl Luke.

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WEEK OF 2-15-99

ECCC Softball Team Begins Season at Holmes

Another talent-laden softball team is set to take the field at East Central Community College where the 1999 campaign gets underway on Tuesday, February 23. The Lady Diamond Warriors open the road at Holmes Community College with double-header action beginning at 3 p.m. in Goodman.

This year's squad features the return of several key members from the 1997-98 team which placed third in the region and state tournaments en rout to an overall 32-25 mark. Infielder Wendy Mapp, a product of Newton County High School, posted a .500 batting average and was named All-American, All-Region and All-State. She was the top vote-getter on last year's All-Region squad. Also expected to have another outstanding season is Ragan Mitchell on Nanih Waiya. Mittchell, an All-Region and All-State selection, batted .440 and was the only freshman pitcher selected on All-Region 23 squad.

In addition to Mapp and Mitchell, other returnees include infielders Dana Misso of Louisville and Boosie Carter of Noxapater, and outfielder Ginger Moore, also of Noxapater.

Freshman team members include outfielders Lacey Johnson of Carthage, Leanne Stampley and Lebreeska Chesney, both of Newton County Academy; Brooke Manigold of Louisville and Tonya Moncrief of Newton; infielders Arletha Moncrief of Newton and Allison Bailey and Bridgette Stamper, both of Newton County; and catcher Mandy Ivey and pircher Amanda Harris, both of Newton County.

The Lady Diamond Warriors are coached by Mike Anderson who returns for his seventh season.

ECCC End Season

East Central Community College basketball teams ended regular season by taking two teams from homestanding Crowley's Ridge Community College located in Paragould, Arkansas. Coach Sammy Pace led his Lady Warriors to an easy 76-43 victory, followed by an 89-78 decision by Jay Bowen's Warriors.

With the victories, the East Central women closed out season play with a 21-3 overall mark and a 10-2 division record, and the Warriors finished at 11-14 and 2-10.

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WEEK OF June 14, 1999

Four softballers sign intent

East Central Community College softball coach Mike Anderson has added a trio of in-county talent to his Lady Diamond Warrior squad for the 1999-2000 school year.

The list includes twins Kim and Kris McMillon of Leake Academy and Rachel Fulton of Edinburg. Also from the area signing with Coach Anderson is Kittie Wilson of Sebastopol.

Kim and Kris McMillon played shortstop and left field respectively under Coach Peggy Marble of the Lady Rebels.

Marble said both batted around .550 for their senior seasons. The twins helped to lead the 25-10 Lady Rebels to a third place finish at the Mississippi Private School Association's AAA-AAAA State Tournament.

Rachel Fulton manned third base for the Edinburg Lady Eagles her senior year and spent some time on the pitcher's mound.

The 7-6 Lady Eagles finished third in their division under the guidance of Bud Farling.

The final East Central signee from the area, Kittie Wilson, played a huge role in helping the Sebastopol Lady Bobcats advance to the Mississippi High School Activities Association's Class 1A state tournament.

Wilson spent her senior year playing under coach Truman Moore.

She has also signed on with the East Central women's basketball program under coach Sammy Pace as a post player.

Anderson could not be reached for comment.

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School: Leake Academy
Sport: Softball
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Name: Kris McMillon
School: Leake Academy
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Name: Kittie Wilson
School: Sebastopol
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Name: Rachel Fulton
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Recipients of East Central Community College slow-pitch softball awards are, from left, Brooke Manigold (Co-Offensive Player of the Year), Ragan Mitchell (Lady Warrior Award), Dana Misso (Defensive Player of the Year), Ginger Moore (Most Improved Player), and Boosie Carter (Co-Offensive Player of the Year).

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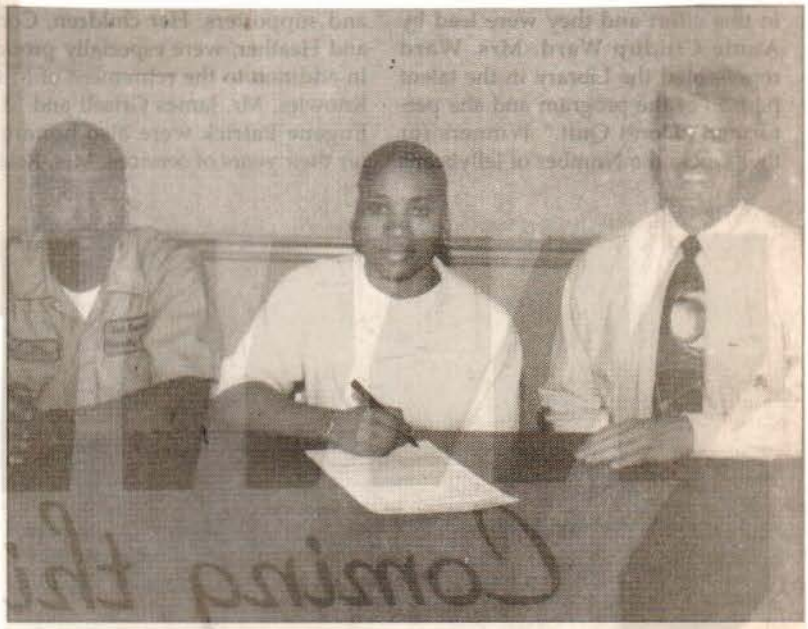
WEEK OF 5-10-99

Kittie Wilson inks with ECCC

Kittie Wilson (seated) of Sebastopol has signed a national letter of intent to play softball at East Central Community College in Decatur. The standout athlete is shown during signing ceremonies with her mother, Jackie Wilson, and ECCC softball coach Mike Anderson. Wilson has also signed to play basketball for the Lady Warriors.(EC Photo)



Cox signs softball scholarship

Nicole Cox of Lake has signed a national letter of intent to play softball at East Central Community College in Decatur. The standout athlete is shown during signing ceremonies with her father, Grover Cox (left) and Mike Anderson, ECCC softball coach.

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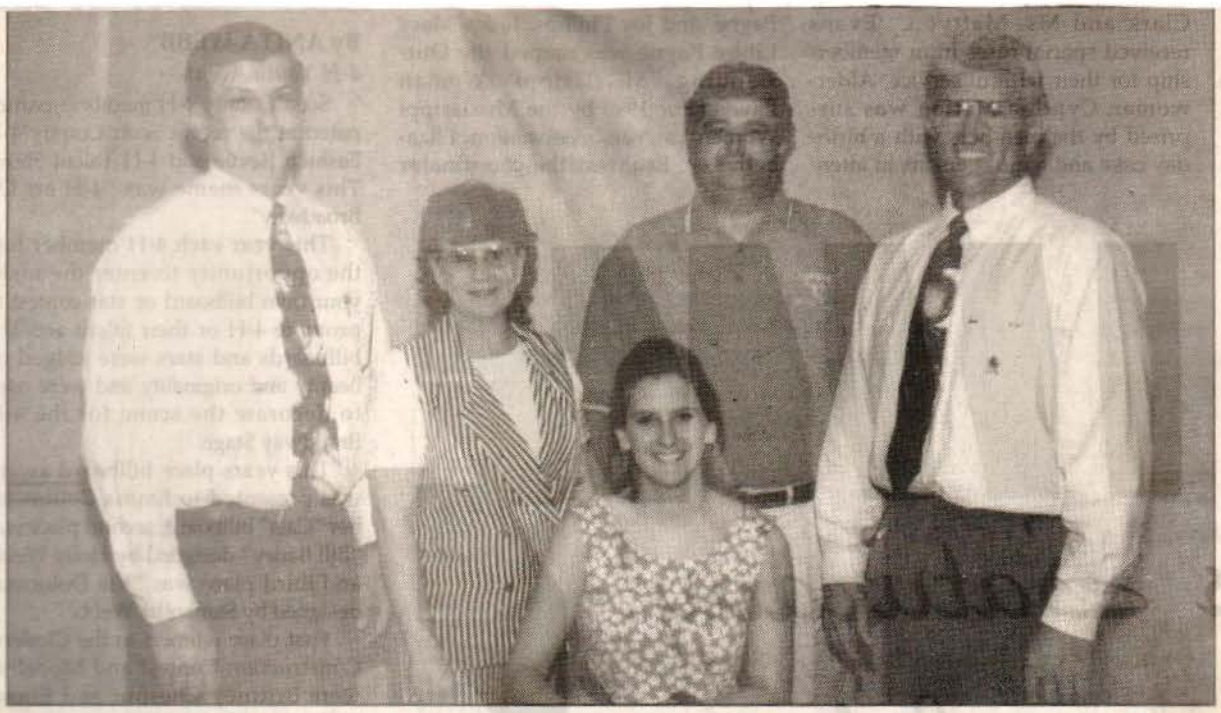
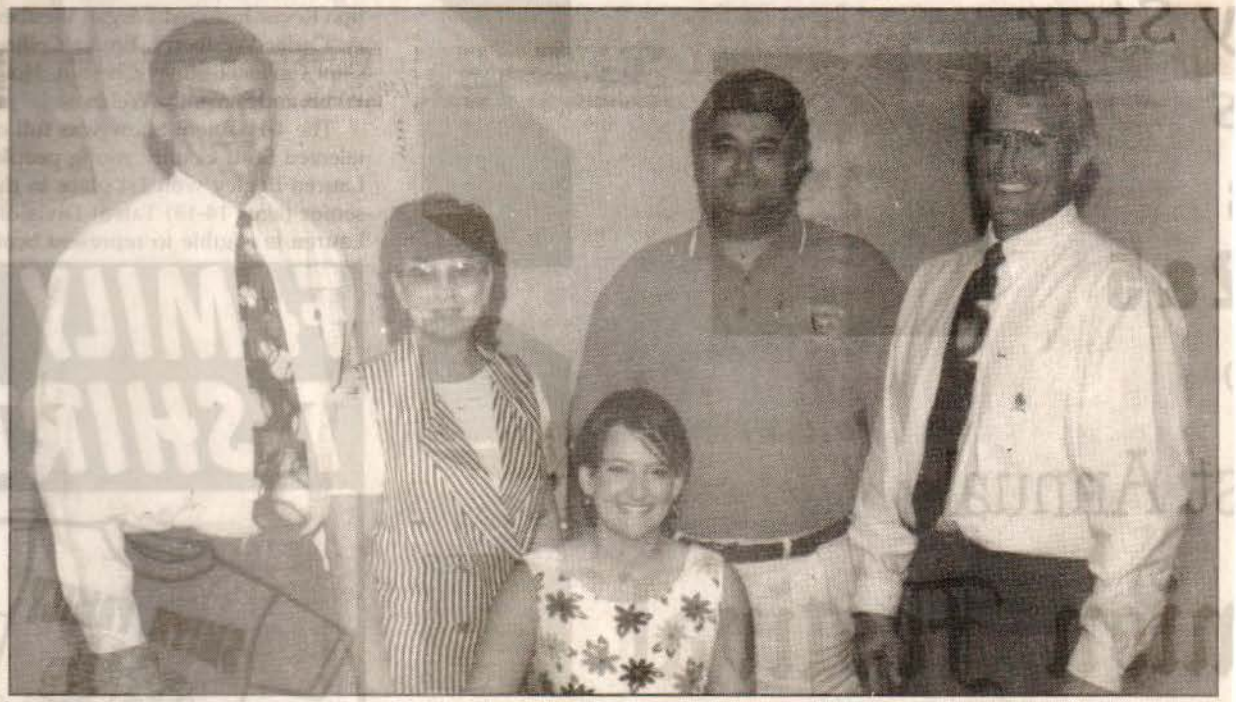


Amy Jones will play softball at East Central

Amy Jones (seated) of Forest has signed a national letter of intent to play softball at East Central Community College in Decatur. The standout athlete is shown during signing ceremonies with (from left) her parents, Ronny and Mary Jones; FHS coach Steve Harber; and ECCC softball coach Mike Anderson.



Ashley Jones will play softball at East Central

Ashley Jones (seated) of Forest has signed a national letter of intent to play softball at East Central Community College in Decatur. The standout athlete is shown during signing ceremonies with (from left) her parents, Ronny and Mary Jones; FHS coach Steve Harber; and ECCC softball coach Mike Anderson.

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Stephanie Harber to play at ECCC

Stephanie Harber (seated) of Forest has signed a national letter of intent to play softball at East Central Community College in Decatur. The standout athlete is shown during signing ceremonies with (from left) her parents, Steve and Pam Harber, and ECCC softball coach Mike Anderson.

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WEEK OF 5-3-99

ECCC adds dozen for '00 softball team

Twelve area student athletes have signed national letters of intent to play softball at East Central Community College, Lady Warriors coach Mike Anderson announced April 26.

The new additions to the 2000 EC softball program were recognized during signing ceremonies held April 26 on the Decatur campus.

Signees and their respective high schools include Chastity White of Neshoba Central, Kim McMillon and Kris McMillon of Leake Academy, Kelli Goodwin of Winston Academy, Kristi Moore of Noxapater, Brandy Burnett of Louisville, Kittie Wilson of Sebastopol, Rachel Fulton of Edinburg, Stephanie Harber, Amy Jones, and Ashley Jones of Forest, and Nicole Cox of Lake.

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WEEK OF 5-3-99

ECCC SIGNS 12 SOFTBALLERS: East Central Community College announced the signing of twelve area athletes to the Lady Warriors' softball team. They are **Kelli Goodwin**, Winston Academy; **Kristi Moore**, Noxapater; **Chastity White**, Neshoba Central; **Brandy Burnett**, Louisville; **Kittie Wilson**, Sebastopol; **Rachel Fulton**, Edinburg; **Stephanie Harber**, **Amy Jones** and **Ashley Jones**, Forest; **Nicole Cox**, Lake; **Kim McMillon** and **Kris McMillon**, Leake Academy.

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WEEK OF 11-5-99

MCC signs two; ECCC in the hunt

Jeff Christian
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The Meridian Community llege women's softball team d the EastCentral Community llege men's basketball team re on the signing trail once ain on Wednesday and this rning.

On Wednesday, MCC's Lady gles inked Meridian High hool standout Shanna Blanks d West Lauderdale's arlotte Davis.

Blanks, an outfielder, batted r .500 during her three years h the Lady Wildcats' varsity m. Her average was .509 in 96, .618 in 1997 and .590 in 98. Her teams finished third the state in Class 5A her nior year and were state mps in 1994 and 1996.

Her individual honors include ng selected to the all-area d all-state team. She received team award for highest bat- g average and was also med the team's most valuable yer. She is scheduled to play the State All-Star Game this mmer.

Davis, an infielder, finished senior year with the Lady ights with a .623 batting rage, collecting 65 RBI and ing 23 home runs.

She is the first Lady Knight hit more than .600 for an re season. He team finished ner-up in the Class 3A state rnament this year and won the state in 1997.

Some of her individual honors include four years all-state, all-district and all-area. She was named her team's best offensive player and teh Lauderdale County Player of the Year this year by The Meridian Star.

Davis will also play in this summer's all-star game.

• ECCC is slated to add 10 signees to its men's basketball team this morning.

Expected to sign with ECCC are, Matthew Roebuck from Newton County Academy; Otha Lay from Lake; Kent Chamblee of Leake Academy; Dwayne Hughes of Sebastopol; Joey Mann and Brian Johnson of South Leake; Chad Clemons and Romale Griffin of Philadelphia and Chris Webb and Kellis Greer of Neshoba Central.

ECCC announced that it would name its women's signees at a later date.

Paula Merritt /The Meridian Star

THE BIG DAY — Charlotte Davis of West Lauderdale and Shanna Blanks of Meridian High signed to play softball for Meridian Community College this fall. Front row, from left: Cheri Hall, Davis, Banks and coach Robert Eakins.Back row, from left: Carmen Renfrow, Bob Pigford, Larry Stewart, Van Davis, Shirley Blanks, Carson Blanks and Thomas George.

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WEEK OF 3-22-99

AREA ECCC SOFTBALL PLAYERS - Newton County students-athletes who are members of the 1999 East Central Community College softball team include (kneeling from left) pitcher Amanda Harris, Newton County High School; outfielders Lebreeska Chesney and Leanne Stampley, both of Newton County Academy; and catcher Mandi Ivey, Newton County; and (standing from left) infielders Wendy Mapp of Newton County and Arletha Moncrief of Newton; outfielder Tonya Moncrief, Newton; and infielders Bridgette Stamper and Allison Bailey, both of Newton County. The Lady Diamond Warriors are coached by Mike Anderson. (EC Photo)

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ECCC SOFTBALL OUTFIELDERS - Outfielders on the 1999 East Central Community College softball team include (from left) Brooke Manigold, Louisville; Lacey Johnson, Carthage; Ginger Moore, Noxapater; and Labreeska Chesney and Leanne Stampley, both of Newton County Academy. The Lady Diamond Warriors are coached by Mike Anderson. (EC photo)

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WEEK OF 2-22-99

ECCC 1999 Softball Schedule

February 23	Holmes	Away
February 25	Holmes	Home
February 27	Early Bird Tourney	Hattiesburg
March 1	East Mississippi	Home
March 2	Mississippi Delta	Home
March 15	Mississippi Delta	Away
March 16	Hinds	Away
March 18	Pearl River	Home
March 23	Co-Lin	Home
March 24	Southwest	Home
March 25	Gulf Coast	Home
March 26-27	Northeast Tourney	New Albany
March 30	Gulf Coast	Away
March 31	East Mississippi	Away
April 6	Hinds	Home
April 13	Jones	Home
April 14	Co-Lin	Away
April 19	Pearl River	Away
April 21	Jones	Away
April 22	Southwest	Away
April 30-May 1	State Tournament	Hattiesburg
May 8	National Tournament at MS Winner	

All Games are Double Headers - Game Time 3:00 P.M.

ECCC Offers GED Course in Lake on Mon. & Thurs.

An ongoing course designed to prepare persons interested in completing the General Equivalency Degree (GED) program is currently being offered by East Central Community College in Lake. Classes are held Monday and Thursday evenings, 7 - 9 at the Lake Market and Mercantile Bldg, 139 S. Church St., downtown Lake. Course is free of charge. On completion students become eligible for the Evelyn Hellen Scholarship for continuing Adult Education. Interested - call 775-3377.

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ECCC Wins Over Calhoun

Freshman Chuck Welch of Morton drove in the winning in the bottom of the 12th inning and gave East Central Community College an 11-10 win over Calhoun Community College Sunday afternoon in Decatur.

The non-division victory improved the Diamond Warriors' record to 2-4 overall. East Central fell earlier in the day to the same squad, a 9-5 decision, in a game that began Saturday but due to weather conditions was continued on Sunday. the Diamond Warriors were able to get in Saturday's earlier matchup with Northwest, but lost too the visiting Rangers 7-6 in extra innings.

In addition to Welch, a product of University Christian, other key sluggers in East Central's win over Calhoun were Chad Champion of Holt, Ala. and Joey Allen of Junction City, Ark., who hit back-to-back home runs in the sixth.

In games scheduled this week, the Diamond Warriors travel to Holmes Community College for a single contest at 1 p.m. Tuesday, February 23, and journey to East Mississippi for a 2 p.m. single contest on Thursday, February 25. East Central hosts Itawamba in a 1 p.m. double header on Saturday, February 27 and will complete weekend action by entertaining Faulkner State in a 2 p.m. single contest on Sunday, February 28.

ECCC SOFTBALL TEAM - Members of the East Central Community College softball team for 1999 campaign include (kneeling from left) pitcher Amanda Harris, Newton County; outfie Brooke Manigold, Louisville; Infielder Boosie Carter, Noxapater; pitcher Ragan Mitchell, Na Waiya; outfielder Leanne Stampley, Newton County Academy; catcher Mandy Ivey, New County; and outfielder Lebreeska Chesney, Newton County Academy; and (standing from l Infielder Dana Misso, Louisville; Infielder Wendy Mapp, Newton County; Infielder Arl Moncrief, Newton; Infielder Allison Bailey, Newton County, Outfielder Ginger Moore, Noxap and outfielder Lacey Johnson, Carthage. The Lady Diamond Warriors are coached by M Anderson. (EC Photo)

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WEEK OF 2-15-99

East Central begins softball season

Decatur-Another talent-laden softball team is set to take the field at East Central Community College where the 1999 campaign gets underway on Tuesday, February 23. The Lady Diamond Warriors open on the road at Holmes Community College with double-header action beginning at 3pm in Goodman.

This year's squad features the return of several key members from the 1997-98 team which placed third in the region and state tournaments en route to an overall 32-25 mark. Infielder Wendy Mapp, a product of Newton County High School, posted a .500 batting average and was named All-American, All-Region and All-State. She was the top vote-getter on last year's All-Region squad. Also expected to have another outstanding season is Ragan Mitchell of Nanih Waiya. Mitchell, an All-Region and All-State selection, batted .440 and was the only freshman pitcher selected on All-Region 23 squad.

In addition to Mapp and Mitchell, other returnees include infielders Dana Misso of Louisville and Boosie Carter of Noxapater, and outfielder Ginger Moore, also of Noxapater.

Freshman team members include outfielders Lacey Johnson of Carthage, Leanne Stampley and Lebreeska Chesney, both of Newton County Academy; Brooke Manigolf of Louisville and Tonya Moncrief of Newton; infielders Arletha Moncrief of Newton and Allison Bailey and Bridgette Stamper, both of Newton County; and catcher Mandy Ivey and pitcher Amanda Harris, both of Newton County.

The Lady Diamond Warriors are coached by Mike Anderson who returns for his seventh season.

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WEEK OF 8-30-99

8B, The Neshoba Democrat, Philadelphia, Miss., September 1, 1999

It's just something about

Sports with Marty Stamper

It must be something with the Philadelphia Tornadoes and electricity.

Friday night's blackout isn't the first time the Tornadoes have entered the dark side.

Remember 1997's football game at Ackerman when a county wide blackout postponed the kickoff by over an hour?

And how about the 1994 game with Union at Harpole Stadium that was delayed when the lights wouldn't come on?

Then there was the 1993 game with Neshoba Central when the lights went out just before the opening kickoff at Harpole Stadium.

And for us old-timers out there, the 1972 game at Union had just reached halftime when a sudden thunderstorm knocked out electricity. That game was resumed the following Monday night since both teams were in the Choctaw Conference.

• **New juco playoff format:** For the first time in several years, the Mississippi junior college football playoff will have four teams instead of two.

"The coaches have been pushing for it for the last three or four years," East Central Community College head football coach Terry Underwood said. "I think after Jones went 12-0 and won a bowl game and didn't win the national championship, that awoke everybody in our league and said we're not really worried about a national championship.

"If we've got a team that goes undefeated and goes to a bowl game and wins and doesn't end up No. 1, it's more healthy for us to open the

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Philadelphia and electricity

door up and make it more interesting in our league.

"In the past, if you lost one division game you were struggling. You weren't necessarily out, but you were on your way of being out. If you lost two, you were gone. Now if you lose two you can still make the playoffs. You've got a lot more to play for throughout the season.

"I think all the head coaches have been for this for a while. The only reason some may not have been was because of the national picture and I don't think that's as big a deal right now."

NJCAA rules allow a total of 12 games a season. All Mississippi teams play 10 regular season games. The two that reach the state championship contest will take themselves out of the bowl hunt.

"I think it was a statement made by the coaches that we would rather have our own deal here and play for a state championship," Underwood said. "We know if you can win this league, you're as good as, if not better than, anybody in the country."

Underwood thinks traditional powers Hinds and Jones will again be the teams to beat in the South Division along with upstart Southwest.

"You've got to go with Hinds and Jones. If you're going to win the South, you've either got to beat both of them or at least one of them.

"If you're good enough to beat either Hinds or Jones, then you can make the playoffs. Those two set the standard in the South right now."

• **In the minors:** Through Sunday's games, here are the stats of the local players in the minor leagues.

Jason Willis was 1-2 and had lowered his ERA to 4.18 with Staten Island of the New York-Penn League. In 28 innings, he had 25 strikeouts to go with 10 walks.

Brooks Bryan was batting .287 with nine doubles, four triples, 11 homers, 47 RBIs, and 23 stolen bases for the Evansville Otters of the independent Frontier League.

Tommy Bost was batting .186 with one triple, five homers, and 13 RBIs for the Mahoning Valley Scrappers of the New York-Penn rookie league.

All three played at East Central Community College.

Also with Evansville, former ECCC hurler Mark Davis is 0-2 with a 7.36 ERA in nine games. He's struck out eight and walked three.

• **ECCC soccer wins opener:** East Central's soccer team got a 5-0 win over Holmes-Goodman Saturday afternoon in its first game in school history.

Chad Woodall of Carthage got the school's first goal on an assist from Joe Cavenaugh of Newton County. Cavenaugh and John Cartwright of Corinth added goals as EC led 3-0 at halftime.

Brett Hossley of Warren Central and Philadelphia's Craig Brown added goals in the second half.

Chris Denney of Brandon kept the Bulldogs, who are in their first season as well, out of the net.

WEEK OF 1-4-99

RECEIVE SPECIAL RECOGNITION - Approximately 100 employees of Choctaw Maid Farms, Inc. in Carthage recently completed Skills Enhancement Classes provided by East Central Community College in Decatur. Each staff member received 12 hours of instruction in five subject areas; Fact-Based and Team Decision-Making, Problem Solving, Introduction to SPC (Statistical Process Control), Conflict Management and Procedural Writing. Among those who participated in the training program included (seated from left) Vickie Barton, Little Rock; Teresie McBeth, Lena; and William Bryant, Madison; and (standing from left) Ken Walker, company training coordinator, Carthage; Jones Howell, Thomastown; Carl McCann, Madden; and Ron Forest, ECCC Workforce Special who served as a class instructor.

LEAD ECCC CLUB - Serving as 1998-99 officers of the Student Education Association at East Central Community College in Decatur are (from left) Brock Lillis, president, of Philadelphia; Angela Hays, vice president, of Carthage; Stacy Jackson, secretary of Little Rock; and Crystal Gee, reporter, of Carthage. SEA is an organization for students who plan to become teachers. Lucille Wood serves as sponsor (EC Photo)

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Organizations/Clubs

Lead ECCC club

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RECOGNIZED FOR COMPLETING ECCC PROGRAM - Above are employees of Choctaw Maid Farms, Inc. in Forest who completed Skills Enhancement Classes provided by East Central Community College in Decatur. Each staff member received 12 hours of instruction in five subject areas: Fact-Based and Team Decision-Making, Problem Solving, Introduction to SPC (Statistical Process Control), Conflict Management and Procedural Writing. Seated from left are Tony Pierce, Brandon; Robert Murrell and Victor York, both of Forest; Gwen Mann, Walnut Grove; Greta Gates, Newton; Elaine Derrick, Forest; Angela Johnson, Pelahatachie; and Greg Little, Silvarena. Standing from left are Bobby Luckett, Lake; Curtis Lewis, Forest; Johnny Tate, Carthage; Chuck Fadale, Philadelphia; Clarence Lumpkin, Newton; Dale Berry, Magee; Johnny Rodriquez, Forest; Andrew Crudup, Pulaski; Sim Slacum, Forest and Ron Forest, ECCC Workforce Specialist who served as a class instructor.

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ECCC gospel choir

These students are members of the gospel choir at East Central Community College in Decatur. Members and their respective hometown include, first row from left; Latoya Rush, Louisville; Annie Lovern, Noxapater; Yolanda Smith, Quitman; Latrecia Johnson, Hickory; Timothy Cager, Union; Dan Coleman and Dwayne Gladney, both of Louisville; Stephanie Parrot, Morton; Tiffany Hutchins, Carthage; LaToya McClendon, Forest; and Velesha Hare, Paulding. Second row from left; Val Stribling, Chicago, Ill.; Sharonda Triplett, Louisville; Harveeta Mosley, Meridian; Kymberly Patrick, Union; Michael Young, Meridian; Jarvis Booth, Laurel; Tywan Stafford, Philadelphia; Alex Moore, Lake; D'Mytris Watkins, Forest; Stephanie Moss, Stonewall; and Betina Latiker, Carthage. Third row from left Marquita Smith, Louisville; Megan Holder, Bay Springs; Karen Johnson, Morton; Lawanda Ealy, Forest; RenFred Rush, Philadelphia; Dewayne Evans, Newton; Adrin Gordon, Meridian; LeVar Robinson, Morton; Shalene Walker, Forest; Millesa Jones, Bay Springs; and Natasha Smith, Morton. Last row from left; Joycelyn Harvey, Morton; Shena Calhoun, Ludlow; Venessa Young, Stallo; David Daniels, Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Robert McQueen and Kelvin Cistrunk, both of Louisville; Jamie White, Forest; Alex Gill, Walnut Grove; Demetria Hayman, Philadelphia; and Akira Stewart, Forest. Not pictured are LaTonya Hoye and Dianne Thames, both of Decatur; Jennifer Robinson, Montrose; Lakeshia Anderson, Hickory; Tiffany Smith, Louisville; Tara Yarbrough, Sturgis; and James Wood, Memphis, Tenn.; Brenda K. Johnson serves as sponsor.

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WEEK OF 1-11-99

ECCC Scholars Named

Students named to the 1998 fall semester honor roll have been announced at East Central Community College in Decatur, according to Raymond McMullan, Director of Admissions, Record and Research.

The honor roll includes students on the President's List, Dean's List and Honorable Mention.

Named to the President's List, which includes students with a 4.0 grade point average, are the following students from Newton County: Crispy P. Bowen, Kelly A. Burkes, Derek P. Burton, Jennifer M. Harrison, Kimberly J. Hollingsworth, Theresa D. Matlock, Stephen D. Morgan, Jade N. Parkes, Lisa E. Rainer, Michael P. Roland and Milton W. Smith, all of Decatur; Denise L. Brown, Melissa r. Cooksey, Amanda N. Dean, Richard C. Lancaster, Tomi J. Mize, Tamara C. Muir, Chris L. Weems, Gregory R. Willis and Allen Wilson, all of Newton; Regina A. Buckley, Mary S. Crocker and Thomas L. Hitt, all of Little Rock; Stephanie N. Bugg, Sharon S. Thomas and Betty R. Wilkerson, all of Lawrence; Tracy W. Carney, Conehatta; Marva J. Cavenaugh, Viola Dade and Jeffrey N. Hansford, all of Hickory; Amanda D. Miles and Joan Mulford, both of Union; and Karen M. Rainer and Jonathan D. White, both of Chunky.

Named to the Dean's List which includes students with a 3.5 or above grade point average from Newton County are: Dexter T. Akins, Steven E. Belvin, Stacy E. Cotten, Amy L. Dellaria, Jason Johnston, Tori M. Jordan, Christina Pearce, Penny M. Russell, Rhonda M. Smith, Bridgette L. Stamper, William C. Wilson and Tina C. Williams, all of Decatur; Melissa A. Avary, Robin S. Carlyle, Crystal M. Chapman, Stephanie D. Evans, Jennifer L. Guyse, Jessica L. Guyse, Danna W. Jones, Bernolia Laster, Christina F. Massey, Malinda L. Melton, Sincere S. Moncrief, Nancy A. Pugh, Purtina M. Ruffin, Vivian D. Taylor, Amos Thames, Angie D. Wesley, Jerlene Wheaton and Audrey E. Windham, all of Newton; Amanda B. Brashear, James M. Burgin, Jason A. Burroughs, Kristi L. French, Donald Gibson, Stephen L. Joyner, Darla D. Loftis, Leslie A. Mangrum, Stephen E. Spire, Celeste N. Staton, Susan A. Staton and Jessica R. Watts, all of Union; Sonja M. Butler, Thomas J. Cleveland, Lori C. Darsey, Carrie B. Griffith, Michael C. Johnson and Jonathan M. Thorne, all of Hickory; Celesta J. Clark, Chas D. Evans, and Crystal Pate, all of Chunky; Nelda Engram and Cody B. Fisher, both of Conehatta; Dorothy L. Federick, Michelle E. May, Stacey S. Mills and Layla N. Peoples, all of Lawrence; Howard M. Hancock, Michael B. Johnson, George J. Parks and Jennifer L. Savell, all of Lake; Bridgette M. Hines, Bethany S. Laird, Denar Muhammad and Robb L. Watson, all of Little Rock.

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Receive certificates

Certificates were recently presented to the above employees of Choctaw Maid Farms, Inc. in Carthage who completed various Skills Enhancement Classes provided by East Central Community College in Decatur. Each staff member received 12 hours of instruction in five subject areas: Fact-Based and Team Decision-Making, Problem Solving, Introduction to SPC (Statistical Process Control), Conflict Management and Procedural Writing. Seated from left are Jeff Solomon, Carthage; Willie Harralson, Forest; Hazel Barnes, Carthage; Theresa Yarrington, Morton, and Tracy Griffin, Camden. Standing from left are Kent Walker, company training coordinator, Carthage; David LeBlanc, Forest; Rusty Thaggard, Madden; Randy Jones, Forest; Jones L. Bryan, Walnut Grove; and Justin Johnson, Philadelphia. Also pictured is Ron Forest, ECCC Workforce Specialist who served as class instructor. For more information regarding services provided by ECCC for area businesses and industries, contact the College's Skill/Tech One-Stop Career Center, East Central Community College, Decatur, Miss. 39327, Ph 635-2111 or call toll free, 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), ext. 299.

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ECCC Concert Choir

Above are members of the East Central Community College Concert Choir prior to their recent performance of Handel's Messiah. Leake County members among those are Shar'lee Ingram, Carthage; Sheree McMahon, Carthage; Tiffany Mizell, Edinburg; Teresa Moore, Edinburg; a Justin Sharp, Sebastopol. The EC concert choir perfor at variuos locations throughout the fall and spring sem ters. The choir is directed by Charles Hinson.

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Awards

Wheaton and Audrey E. Windham, all of Newton; Amanda B. Brashear, James M. Burgin, Jason A. Burroughs, Kristi L. French, Donald Gibson, Stephen L. Joyner, Darla D. Loftis,;

Leslie A. Mangrum, Stephen E. Spire, Celeste N. Staton, Susan A. Stanton and Jessica R. Watts, all of Union; Sonja M. Butler, Thomas J. Cleveland, Lori C. Darsey, Carrie B. Griffith, Michael C. Johnson and Jonathan M. Thorne, all of Hickory; Celesta J. Clark, Chas D. Evans and Crystal Pate, all of Chunky;

Nelda Engram and Cody B. Fisher, both of Conehatta; Dorothy L. Fedrick, Michelle E. May, Stacey S. Mills and Layla N. Peoples, all of Lawrence; Howard M. Hancock, Michael B. Johnson, George J. Parks and Jennifer L. Savell, all of Lake; Bridgette M. Himes, Bethany S. Laird, Denar Muhammad and Robb L. Watson, all of Little Rock.

Scott County: Cynthia L. Bates, Lindsay D. Chance, Blake Everett, Jeannie T. Hannah, Misti L. Harrell, Tracy N. Latham, Latoya Y. Loper, Virginia L. Rigby, Benjamin J. Robinson, Lance M. Sigrest, Judy A. Thompson, Christopher D. Vanetten and Shelly R. Welch, all of Forest;

Rhonda A. Bates, Bruce B. Bridges, Christopher R. Fuller, Stacie B. Hall, Scicile D. Wilkerson and Kellie C. Moore, all of Pulaski; Dewey W. Boles, Alicia Jenkins, Benjamin L. Martin, Alexander A. Moore, Kendra L. Morgan and Latonya M. Pinkston, all of Lake; Santrea S. Buckner of Pelahatchie;

Candice M. Butler, Danna M. Dye, La Wanda N. Ealy, Lorie A. Frith, Amanda S. Keeton and Alecia M. Williams, all of Morton; Ashley L. Byram and Elba H. Davidson, both of Sebastopol; Justin E. Sharp, Harperville; and Cassy L. Thrash, Walnut Grove.

Winston County: Gwendolyn Edwards, Janita Hornesbuger, Randall A. Orr, Beverly Reynolds and John C. Wilkes, all of Noxapater;

and Bradley K. Addkison, Kaci J. Allen, Sandra C. Chambliss, Cassandra Eaves, Laura H. Faulk, Bessie W. Goss, Debra L. Hare, Patricia E. Hathorn, Samuel Knight, Johnna M. Levin, Felix S. Loving, Heather K. Moody, Lucas B. Nowell, Melissa A. Reed, Jimmy D. Rushing, Shawn Smith, Tiffany L. Smith, Virginia K. Stokes, Brigette N. Sullivan, Leah M. Vernon and Jeremy D. Woods, all of Louisville.

Out of District: Larry A. Buckley and Robert E. Evans, both of Brandon; Lucinda McAdory, Kosciusko; Sheneka Berry, McCool; Patrick M. Ferriss, Clinton; Rosalind Bender, Rose Hill; Mattie Brown, Justin C. Gray, Harold Hollingsworth III, Fredrick D. McClelland, Joe R. Nicholas and William B. Parker, all of Meridian; and Sonya L. Clearman and Jennifer R. Huey, both of Collinsville.

Out of State: Karla J. Moody, Hinesville, Georgia; and Vanessa M. Sanders, Anchorage, Alaska.

Out of Country: Silje L. Adnesen, Egersund, Norway.

HONORABLE MENTION

The following students were named to the Honorable Mention list and earned a 3.0 or above grade point average:

Leake County: James E. Adams, Anita L. Bell, Jessica M. Blan, Paul E. Bone, George E. Bradley, Jason B. Cooper, Gary L. Dukes, Clifton G. Edwards, Joshua F. Fitch, Christy R. Fletcher, Michael D. Green, Shemeka N. Henson, Mindy R. Hutchison, Susan W. Jackson, Lakeshia S. Jones;

Keisha D. Latham, David M. Middleton, Jessica A. Nazary, Cory J Rawson, Memrie D. Rawson, Leslie D. Salers, Melissa W. Smith, Jodi D. Stribling, Matthew P. Stribling, Stephen R. Thornton, Christopher M. Waggoner, Michael Wilcher and Joseph D. Yalien, all of Carthage; Richard L. Alexander, Michael D. Beal, James L. Brown, and Jessica Waggoner, all of Lena; and Lisa C. Johnson, Alicia G. Jordan and Tonya L. Viverette, all of Walnut Grove.

Neshoba County: Juakita Anderson, Pamela S. Atkinson, Valarie Barfield, Candice W. Beason, Wendy S. Belk, Cyrus L. Ben, Tomekia L. Bishop, Sharon W. Boyette, Tammy M. Bradley, Joshua C. Bryan, Aaron D. Burkeen, William E. Burnside, Marina Carter, Amanda H. Chaney, Wendy M. Cheatham, Kory Culpepper, Jacki D. Eakes, Matthew E. Eakes, Tiffany M. Farhood, Jeremy L. Files, Mark D. Fleming, Elizabeth C. George, Leland J. Gibson, Kellie M. Goss, Douglas J. Graham, Melody L. Haggard;

Jonathan D. Hardy, Josh Hardy, Lynda S. Howard, Anthony W. Hoxie, Freeman John, Melanie King, Morgan Y. Kirkland, Tanequa C. Kirkland, Spence I. Latimer, David K. Lepard, Nikki M. Lewis, Adam Mann, Daniel A. Mars, Brandi W. Martin, Jon D. Martin, Jonathan P. Mills, Beverly S. Moody, Beverly M. Nelson, Donald G. Ogletree Jr., Brock H. Phillips, Eric Rush, Philip G. Smith, Kathy G. Spears, Sharon L. Spears, Esther D. Stovall;

Ashley Vines, Karl R. Waddell, Mary S. Warren, Jennifer L. Williams, Natasha C. Williams, Jason C. Willis and Kevin R. Willis Sr., all of Philadelphia; and Jerri S. Adkins, Cynthia K. Belk, Lisa L. Chesney, Wanda N. Davidson, Amy E. Graham, Christy L. Gross, Joshua S. Herrington, Alethia G. Hill, Abby L. McCarty, Jessica A. McDowell, Timothy B. Page, Bobby W. Parker, Carrie A. Parkes, Charles A. Schellbach, B.J. Skinner, Kelly M. Smith and Peggy M. Warren, all of Union.

Newton County: Jody R. Addy, Allison K. Bailey, Leslee J. Carter, Karen T. Coffman, Kristin M. Comans, Rachel D. Dunn, Jason C. Gaines, Corey S. Garrison, Melanie K. Harris, Jacqueline D. Hoye, Ashley L. McDill, Debra L. Miller, Jennifer A. Pace, Jason L. Pierce, Joshua Reeves;

Donna G. Reynolds, Betty S. Searcy, Lana K. Smith, Sonya H. Smith, Zella C. Stevens, April Vaughn, Charles M. Walker and Kimberly S. Williams, all of Decatur; Catherine R. Arrington, Deloris Blaylock, Patricia R. Bolden, Wendi Chamblee, Devlin L. Chapman, Karon L. Coleman, Jennifer Evans, Kimberly R. Evans, Romonica R. Evans, Heather E. Hamilton, Derrick W. Jones, Tammy M. Jones, Leah M. Lindsley, Franceani Lyles, Kristin C. Mills, Stephanie A. Robinson;

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Ronnie G. Thrash and Shunnett Wheaton, all of Newton, Rhonda R. Bell, Patty L. Chickaway and Hollie L. Hopper, all of Conehatta; Kevin L. Carter, Brit H. Cleveland, Lisa M. Cleveland, Heather S. Compton, Julie A. Fitzgibbons, Rebekah K. Franklin, Stacy N. Hogue, Melissa K. Madden, Jerry McDonald, Keekee D. Micheal, Joseph B. Rigdon and Casey L. Spivey, all of Union; Robert W. Savell and Jenna N. Usry, both of Lake;

Jackie Clanton, Eric A. Evans, Lamonica Harris, Sharron D. Shepard, Barry E. Thomas, Jamanda L. Walker and Billy Watkins, all of Lawrence; Amy L. Clark, Chunky; Aaron L. Cooley, Tammy C. Cutway, Lori L. Ferguson, Stacy K. Jackson, Rebecca L. McDill, Dianne E. Spears, and Crystal M. Tate, all of Little Rock; and Stephen P. Ferguson, Amanda Harris, William V. Oliphant, Breck R. Pace, Roland R. Price, James L. Stampley, Kara Stampley and Timothy Stanford, all of Hickory.

Scott County: Malcolm P. Banks, April L. Blackledge, Jennifer B. Bounds, Jeffery W. Brown, Brenda L. Carr, Lance Clark, Courtney P. Cooper, Jason C. Eason, Tiffany L. Edwards, Becky K. Harrell, Tesa L. Henry, Jacqueline D. Hurn, Joy C. Johnson, Amanda F. Jones, Tracey E. May, Cassandra M. McCarter, Christie A. McGee, Shelley F. McKinley, Amanda D. McMillan, Daniel Morgan, Demone Murrell, Herbert Murrell;

Christopher Thompson, Joseph D. Tucker, April M. Wallace, Wanda C. Wash, Tommie L. Wells, Stephanie G. Westbrook, Tena L. Wiggins, Ashley G. Williams, Brandy M. Woods and Cedric B. Young, all of Forest; Kelly J. Bates, Alisha B. Bennett, Francis E. Brown, Tiffany S. Frith, Kristopher O. Knight, Terry H. Nutt, Edd H. Porter, Ashley B, Smith and Corey D. Smith, all of Morton; Justin G. Beatty and Billie D. Bates, both of Pulaski; Jason Bradshaw, Hillsboro; Katie R. Brown and Candice M. Graham, both of Conehatta;

Martha L. Brown, Walnut Grove; Marlina Cox, Jeffrey Gladney, Erin M. Gressett, Erik L. Perozo, Demetrick D. Towner and Floyzell Williams Jr., all of Lake; and Michael B. Madden, Sebastopol.

Winston County: Joann M. Baity, Angela S. Burns, Wesley A. Coleman, Adam W. Daniel, Michael A. Dawkins, Ronit N. Frey, Clifford B. Gregory, Veronica M. Haynes, Amy L. Herrington, Heather R. Hobby. Jessie K. Hughes, Phillip S. Livingstion, Joseph Lowrey, Todd D. Mullins;

Amanda H. Huges, Phillip S. Livingston, Joseph Lowrey, Todd D. Mullins, Amanda H. Murphy, Jerry K. Nance, Jeremy C. Nowell, Ellen P. Null, LaDanna F. Patie, Terri N. Peden, Willie H. Perry, Linda K. Popec, Anthony S. Prior, Jeremy D. Rushing, Monica L. Smith, Richard A. Swain, Nelson Triplett Jr. and Jackie Yarbrough, all of Louisville;

Vernon A. Bartholomew, LaShandra N. Carter, Barry K. Edwards, J. Tracy Goodin, Mary M. Lynch, Brent McAdory, Rita C. Nunn, Holleigh M. Pierce, Glenn L. Rushing, Antoinette W. Taylor, Rosie M. Williams and Kimberly D. Young, all of Noxapater; and Tara L. Yarbrough, Strugis.

Out of District: Tobi L. Ballard, Sallis; Terry M. Boyette, Kurtetha L. McGee and Staci D. Slayton, all of Enterprise; James K. Stewart, Shubuta; James Keys, Collins; Melanie A. Atkinson, Jackson; Jason S. Davis, Brandy A. Ulmer and M.L. Walker, all of Rosehill;

Velesha D. Hare, Paulding; Megan Holder, Bay Springs; Sheila J. Coleman, Preston; Joseph W. Peden, Melanie Kemp and Anunciata M. McElhenney, all of Collingville; Stephanie A. Brookshire, Sherry W. Clark, Yolanda A. Cole, Elesha M. Hopkins, Amy L. Shirley, Murray A. Smyth and Tori M. Thompson, all of Meridian; Richard E. Burkett, Kosciusko;

Lakeshia D. Anderson, Canton; Jessica M. Hester, Pearl; James B. Meadow, Brandon; Justin S. Palmer and Melissa R. Till, both of Pelahatchie, Vida W. Williamson, Kosciusko; and Kenneth P. Barden, Madison.

ECCC announces fall semester honor roll

Students named to the 1998 fall semester honor roll have been announced at East Central Community College in Decatur, according to Raymond McMullan, Director of Admissions, Record and Research.

The honor roll includes students on the President's list, Dean's list and Honorable mention.

Named to the President's list, which includes students with a 4.0 grade point average, are the following:

PRESIDENT'S LIST

Leake County: Laurie B. Cockroft, Jacqueline C. Coward, Donnie R. Fletcher, Margaret S. Greer, Jonathan P. Grice, Amanda D. Hillman, Lana Kea, Kristi D. Moore, Ruthie S. Pigg, Erica H. Pike, Summer Scarborough and Donna B. Tucker, all of Carthage; and James B. Smith, Marcus D. Ellis and Julie S. Guidry, all of Walnut Grove.

Neshoba County: Amy E. Arthur, Tracy H. Kilpatrick, Stacy G. Skinner and Jennifer L. Winstead, all of Union; and Cathy M. Deason, Thomas B. Ellison, Valerie N. Evans, Jill Y. Gray, Nykela G. Horne, Justin R. Long, Ragan D. Mitchell, Donald K. Nance, Kimberly A. Nicholson, Melissa Pendergrass, Timothy J. Prachar, Kristopher D. Robertson and Catherine I. York, all of Philadelphia.

Newton County: Cristy P. Bowen, Kelly A. Burkes, Derek P. Burton, Jennifer M. Harrison, Kimberly J. Hollingsworth, Theresa D. Matlock, Stephen D. Morgan, Jade N. Parkes, Lisa E. Rainer, Michael P. Roland and Milton W. Smith, all of Decatur; Denise L. Brown, Melissa R. Cooksey, Amanda N. Dean, Richard C. Lancaster, Tomi J. Mize; Moss, Dorian D. Perkins and William J. Sebren, all of Lena; Casey L. Lewis, Madden; and Mary S. Atkinson;

Rebecca D. Fulton, Alesha Gomillion, Jerry L. Gressett, Wendy S. Hester, Lacey A. Johnson, Betina L. Latiker, Craig M. McRae, Tiffany T. Mizell, Donna R. Moore, Lisa J. Price, Courtney B. Rawson, Rebecca C. Sikes, Brandon M. Tucker, Charles S. Waller and Christy L. Wooten, all of Carthage.

Neshoba County: Jennifer M. Alford, Heather D. Anderson, Amee K. Brackin, Baron C. Burkes, Brian K. Burns, Amanda S. Burt, April Clark, Justin Clearman, Brandi M. Duncan, Mark A. Eakes, Kimberly A. George, Lorenzo Griffin, Gary N. Hall, James E. Jenkins, Emily D. Johnson, Brooke L. Kennedy, Brock E. Lillis;

Bryan S. Madison, Thomas J. Madison, Dennis G. McDill, Kimberly T. McKinion, Larry A. McMillan, Patricia G. Moore, Bobby J. Morrow, Andrea L. Robertson, Wesley C. Rounsaville, Lapenny H. Sellers, Wendy K. Tullos, Justin L. Webb, Marion M. White, Theresa D. Wiggs, Courtney D. Wilcher, Rody Willis, Crystal H. Woodard and Robin M. Zieminick, all of Philadelphia; and Jason D. Goss, Rebecca B. Owen and Kyle W. Watson, all of Union.

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Tamara C. Muir, Chris L. Weems, Gregory R. Willis and Allen Wilson, all of Newton; Regina A. Buckley, Mary S. Crocker and Thomas L. Hitt, all of Little Rock; Stephanie N. Bugg, Sharon S. Thomas and Betty R. Wilkerson, all of Lawrence; Tracy W. Carney, Conehatta; Marva J. Cavenaugh, Viola Dade and Jeffrey N. Hansford, all of Hickory; Amanda D. Miles and Joan Mulford, both of Union; and Karen M. Rainer and Jonathan D. White, both of Chunky.

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Winston County: Angela P. Dempsey, Cynthia C. Hoskins, Angela N. Jayroe, Wendy Lingle, Alisha L. Martin, Rosemary McArthur, Amy I. Morehead, Jason W. Morehead, Michelle C. Robertson and Jana Wylie, all of Louisville; and Susan D. Perkins, Ginger C. Moore and Kendall D. Hoskin, all of Noxapater.

Out of district: Stephanie J. Moss, Stonewall; Andrew O. Smith, Enterprise; Willie L. Alford, Brad Creel, Amanda Stokes, Michael Verley and Tiffany Walker, all of Meridian; and Gary L. Langley, Ricky R. McKay and Denise G. Willis, all of Collisnville.

DEAN'S LIST

The Dean's list includes the following students with a 3.5 or above grade point average:

Leake County: Ashley B. Alexander, Jody Johnson, Christpher L. Kyzar, Sherry A.

WEEK OF 1-18-99

Application deadline set for ECCC nursing program

Students interested in applying for admission to the Associate Degree Nursing Program at East Central Community College in Decatur must complete the application process by March 1.

Harris added that only those students who have previously taken the National League for Nursing Pre-Admission Examination are eligible to apply for the 1999-2000 term. She said testing has been completed for the upcoming class.

She encouraged those interested in applying for the ADN program to take as many nursing academic classes as possible. She especially expressed the importance of students planning to major in any health-related field to take as much science and math as possible while still in high school.

The ECCC Associate Degree Program in fully accredited by the Board of Trustees of the Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning (IHL) and by the National League for Nursing Accreditation Commission.

For more information call 635-2111 or toll free, 1-877-462-3222, ext. 293/240.

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EC names Leake scholars

Students named to the 1998 fall semester honor roll have been announced at East Central Community College in Decatur, according to Raymond McMullan, Director of Admissions, Record and Research.

The honor roll includes students on the President's List, Dean's list and Honorable Mention.

Named to the President's List, which includes students with a 4.0 grade point average, are the following Leake students:

President's List - Laurie B. Cockroft, Jacqueline C. Coward, Donnie R. Fletcher, Margaret S. Greer, Jonathan P. Grice, Amanda D. Hillman, Lana Kea, Kristi D. Moore, Ruthie S. Pigg, Erica H. Pike, Summer Scarborough and Donna B. Tucker, all of Carthage; and James B. Smith, Marcus D. Ellis and Julie S. Guidry, all of Walnut Grove.

Named to the Dean's List, which includes students with a 3.5 or above grade point average, are the following Leake students:

Dean's List - Ashley B. Alexander, Jody Johnson, Christopher L. Kyzar, Sherry A. Moss, Dorian D. Perkins and William J. Sebren, all of Lena; Casey L. Lewis, Madden; and Mary S. Atkinson, Rebecca D. Fulton Alesha Gomillion, Jerry L. Gressett, Wendy S. Hester, Lacey A. Johnson, Betina L. Latiker, Craig M. McRae, Tiffany T. Mizell, Donna R. Moore, Lisa J. Price, Courtney B. Rawson, Rebecca C. Sikes, Brandon M. Tucker, Charles S. Waller, Christy L. Wooten and Vanessa Sanders, all of Carthage.

Stephen R. Thornton, Christopher M. Waggoner, Michael Wilcher and Joseph D. Yalian, all of Carthage; Richard L. Alexander, Michael D. Beal, James L. Brown, and Jessica Waggoner, all of Lena; and Lisa C. Johnson, Alicia G. Jordan and Tonya L. Viverette, all of Walnut Grove.

The following students were named to the Honorable Mention List and earned a 3.0 or above grade point average.

Honorable Mention - James E. Adams, Anita L. Bell, Jessica M. Blan, Paul E. Bone, George E. Bradley, Jason B. Cooper, Gary L. Dukes, Clifton G. Edwards, Joshua F. Fitch, Christy R. Fletcher, Michael D. Green, Shimeka N. Henson, Mindy R. Hutchison, Susan W. Jackson, Lakeshia S. Jones, Keisha D. Latham, David M. Middleton, Jessica A. Nazary, Cory J. Rawson, Memrie D. Rawson, Leslie D. Salers, Melissa W. Smith, Jodi D. Stribling, Matthew P. Stribling,

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ECCC receives five new pianos

Jimmy Andrews/The Meridian Star

NEW PIANOS – East Central Community College music keyboard instructors Leesa Wilkinson (left) and Tonya Morgan-Kirk are pictured with one of five new pianos on loan from Allegrezza Piano Company in Jackson. Through the agreement, Allegrezza will loan ECCC five new pianos each year. "Not only do ECCC students receive quality instruction, but now they are able to learn on quality instruments," said Morgan-Kirk.

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WEEK OF 2-1-99

ECCC Gospel Choir Officers.....These students are officers of the gospel choir at East Central Community College in Decatur. Pictured are (first row, from left) Sharonda Triplett of Louisville, secretary; Kymberly Patrick of Union, vice president; LaTonya Hoye of Decatur, assistant secretary; and Tiffany Hutchins of Thomastown, treasurer; and (back row, from left) Val Stribling of Decatur, representative; Jermi Coleman of Louisville, chaplain; Dwayne Evans of Newton, assistant treasurer; David Daniel of Tuscaloosa, Ala., chaplain/musician; and Brenda Johnson, sponsor. Not pictured are Alex Gill of Walnut Grove, president/musician; Robert McQueen of Louisville, chaplain; and Jamie White of Forest, reporter. (EC Photo)

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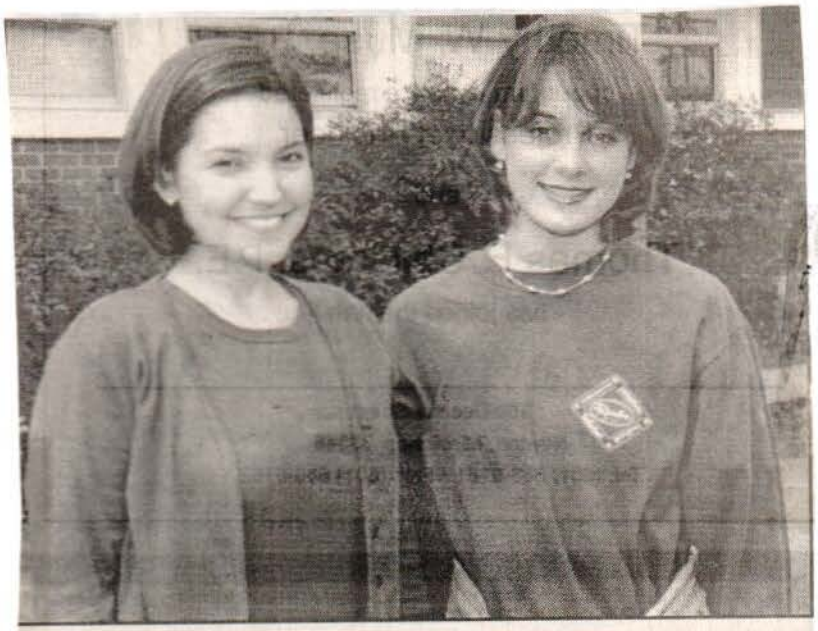

ECCC MEDICAL CLUB OFFICERS - These students are officers of Sigma Sigma Mu Tau, the medical club, at East Central Community College. Pictured are Celeste Staton (left) of Union, president, and Courtney Wilcher of Edinburg, secretary/ treasurer. Not pictured is Lori Darsey of Newton County Academy, vice president. Ron Davis serves as sponsor. (EC Photo)

ECCC AC'CENTS OFFICERS - These students serve as officers of the East Central Community College Ac'cents. Pictured are (from left) Melanie Atkinson, vice president, and Josh Sanders, secretary, both of Newton County; and Amanda McMillan of Lake, president. Charles Hinson serves as director. (EC Photo)

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ECCC Concert Choir Officers..... These students serve as officers of the concert choir at East Central Community College in Decatur. Pictured are (from left) William Perkins of Scott Central and Emily Germany of Union, librarians; Jason Gaines, vice president, and Alex Savell, president, both of Newton County. Charles Hinson serves as choral director. (EC Photo)

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Scholarships

WEEK OF 4-5-99

Various scholarships available at ECCC

The deadline is nearing for students interested in applying for various scholarships available for the 1999-2000 term at ECCC in Decatur.

Numerous endowed scholarships are available to students from the five-county district. Among scholarships yet to be filled are the Paul V. and Voncile H. Breazeale Ministerial Scholarship and the Roscoe C. Pugh Memorial Scholarship.

Applicants for the Breazeale scholarship must be incoming, full-time freshman students who demonstrate financial need and who enroll in a curriculum which prepares the student for a ministry in full-time Christian service.

To be eligible for the scholarship the student must (1) be a high school graduate as verified by a high school transcript; (2) be a first-time, entering freshman in the fall of 1999 semester; (3) demonstrate financial need on a current federal student financial aid form; and (4) provide letters of recommendation from his/her high school principal, local pastor and a personal acquaintance.

Students interested in the Pugh scholarship must be incoming students who will enroll full-time in a technical or academic curriculum.

To be eligible for the scholarship the student must (1) Enroll as full-time day academic or technical student at the Decatur campus after having been previously enrolled as part-time students; (2) have earned all previous college credits at East Central Community College; (3) have earned a minimum of 12 semester hours credit and not more than 21 semester hours credit before applying for the scholarship; and (4) have a minimum 3.0 grade point average on all college work completed.

Scholarship applications may be obtained from area h school counselors or stude may request a scholarsl packet from the ECCC Dea Students' Office.

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Receive scholarships

These East Central Community College students recently received Nontraditional Student Scholarships to continue their education at ECCC. To be eligible for the scholarship students must be 23 years of age or older and must have never attended another college. They must enroll as a full-time student and must have earned between 12 and 21 semester hours of college credit as either a part-time or full-time student and must have maintained a 3.0 or higher grade point average. Pictured are (seated, from left) Betty Wilkerson, Lake; Tamara Muir and Nancy Pugh, both of Newton; Anita Bell, Carthage; and Tina Williams, Decatur; and (standing, from left) Gloria Fox, Philadelphia; Steven Belvin, Decatur; Andrew Smith, Meridian; Howard Hancock, Lake; and recruiter/Tech Prep Career Center Director Lanette Hanna.

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MHV Award Luncheon held at ECCC

The Newton County Bank, Citizens Bank, Great Southern National Bank of Decatur, Union Planters Bank of Newton, Decatur and Union sponsored the annual MHV Award Luncheon held January 28 at the Gold Room at East Central Community College.

Representing the banks were: Ann Blackburn, Union Planters, Newton; Kay Jones and Linda Milling, Union Planters Bank, Decatur; Bob Palmer, Citizens Bank, Union; Patty Graham, Great Southern National Bank of Decatur; and Joe Nelson, Newton County Bank.

Members of the Board of Supervisors represented were: Dale Alexander, Jimmy Johnson, Charles Moulds and Walter Gardner.

Members of the Extension Advisory Committee present were: Wardene Mason, Lawrence Tingle, Kate Thomas, Reuben Hoskin, Ruby Jean Kennedy, Tommy Sanders, Mary Tillery, Rita Round and Tommy Thompson.

Extension staff members present were: Glenda Weaver, Victor Lee, Suzanne Milling, Katrina McCalphia and Diane Usry.

John Muse of *The Union Appeal* represented the news media.

Newton MHV Club placed first; Three C, second; and St. John, third.

Secretary winners were: Barbara Walker, first; Paulette Tramill, second; and Wardene Mason, third.

Lawrence MHV Club received the award for the Most New Members for the year.

Emma Lee Chapman, outgoing vice president, received a retiring officer's pin.

The following members received a Reading Certificate:

New Ireland: Linda Burson, Queenie Bomillion, Helen Tillman, Alyne Brown, Floreine Germany, Bertha Plunkett; Lawrence: Linda Mason, Wardene Mason, Elsie Everett, Mary Lee Archie; St. John: Johnnie Mae Walker, Leora Chapman, Margie Beamon, Minnie Porter, Nettie Page, Nellie McDonald, Roosevelt Walker, Rosie Logan, Verna McKee, Wilma Mapp, Gloria Moore, Jean Porter; Chunky: Margaret Gressett, Beth Beamon, Evelyn Puckett, Neva Smith, Bobbye Steverson, Corine Therrell; Bethel: Ruth Round, Jean Mason, Mary Lois Page, Agnes Ethridge, Mary Tillery, Louise Pennington, Lil Lay; Three C: Teresa Bradley, Mildred Carroll, Annette City, Emma Croom, Maxine Dawkins, Frankie Evans, Theresa Green, Juanita Hall, Lula Hoskin, Ruby Ann Jones, Shirley McGowan, Pearl Morris, Peggy Nichols, Alfreeda Pruitt, Dorothy Roberts, Sadie Simpson, Elizabeth Walker, Ola D. Walker, Pamela J. Wells; Newton: Anne Holyfield, Sibyl McDonald, Emma Lee Chapman.

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ECCC holds tryouts Feb. 25

East Central Community College will hold cheerleader tryouts on Thursday, Feb. 25, at 3:30 p.m. in the Brackeen-Wood Physical Education Building, announced Virginia Pace, ECCC cheerleader sponsor.

Anyone interested in trying out for the 1999-2000 football or basketball cheerleading squads must first attend a pre-tryout clinic scheduled from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, in the Brackeen-Wood Physical Education Building.

Cheers and dance routines to be used during tryouts will be taught at the clinic. At the conclusion of the clinic, Pace will meet with cheerleader candidates to discuss requirements and procedures for tryouts.

Cheerleader applications are available from cheerleader sponsors or guidance counselors at local high schools. For more information contact Virginia Pace, ECCC, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, Ph. 635-2111 or toll free 1-877-462-3222, ext. 239.

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EAST CENTRAL ACDT OFFICERS - These students are serving as officers of the East Central Community College Association of Child Development Technology. Pictures are (from left) Melissa Reed of Louisville, vice president; Jacqueline Harrison of Decatur, treasurer; Brenda Carr of Forest reporter; Toni Taylor secretary, and Janita Hornesbuger, ways and means chairman, both of Noxapater; and Val Stribling of Decatur, president. Mary Ann Wright serves as advisor. (EC photo)

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ECCC FRESHMAN CLASS FAVORITES - These students were recently selected freshman class favorites at East Central Community College in Decatur. Pictured from left - Lee Martin of Lake, Lacey McBeath, Brent Page and Emily Johnson, all of Neshoba Central; Robyn Watts of Union and Nykela Horne of Neshoba Central. (EC Photo)

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EC favorites

These students were recently selected sophomore class favorites at East Central Community College in Decatur. Pictured are (seated, from left) Sissy Greer of Carthage, Amber Woods of Winston Academy, Courtney Wilcher of Edinburg and Quintina Edwards of Vigor, Ala.; and (standing, from left) David Lepard of Philadelphia, Cody Fisher of Union, Michael Hall of Leake Academy and Justin Rogers of Morton

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To Present ECCC Musical.....The East Central Community College Players will complete the 1998-99 season with the spring musical production of Lerner and Loewe's "Camelot," based on the "The Once and Future King" by T.H. White. Participants and their respective hometowns include (first row, from left) Chas Evans, Chunky; Amanda McMillan, Lake; Josh Young, Carthage; Hank Moreau, Decatur; Melanie Atkinson, Jackson; and Jonathan Thorne, Hickory; (second row, from left) Tiffany Mizell, Edinburg; Tara Yarbrough, Sturgis; Valarie Barfield, Philadelphia; Leslie Mangrum, Union; Beckie Fulton, Carthage; Tori Jordan, Decatur; and Sheree McMahon, Carthage; and (back row, from left) Jennifer Potvine, Louisville; Chad Anderson, Union; Jamie White, Forest; Mark Eakes and John Critz, both of Philadelphia; and Michael Cutway, Decatur. Performances will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, April 21-24, in the Ovid S. Vickers Fine Arts Center on the Decatur campus. Tickets are $5 for students and $8 for adults. For ticket information contact Juanita West at 1-877-462-3222, ext. 236. (EC Photo)

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East Central Community College posts record enrollment

East Central Community College has posted a record enrollment, according to information released by Raymond McMullan, Director of Admissions, Records and Research.

McMullan said 2,101 students are currently enrolled in day and evening classes, which represents an increase of 141 students—or 7 percent—as compared to last year's enrollment of 1,960 students who registered for the 1998 spring term.

The college's all-time enrollment record was reported last fall when 2,153 students took classes at the college.

Included in the record spring enrollment total are 1,416 full-time students and 685 students who take classes on a part-time basis. Of the 2,101 students enrolled, 592 are enrolled in evening classes offered on the Decatur campus and at various locations throughout the college's five-county district.

East Central serves Newton, Neshoba, Scott, Leake and Winston counties.

This week, ECCC also will join other community colleges and high schools across the state to observe National Vocational-Technical Week, Feb. 14-20. The Association for Career and Technical Education (formerly American Vocational Association) has chosen as this year's theme, "Connecting Education and Careers."

John Adcock, ECCC district director of vocational-technical instruction at the college's Bradford J. Tucker Applied Technology Center, said this year's theme signifies the role ECCC plays in providing the best education possible for its students.

"We take great pride in our vo-tech programs and the quality education that is provided to students," Adcock said. "We are also pleased with the tremendous success rate we've had over the years in placing our graduates with top-paying jobs at area businesses and industries."

In addition to offering numerous vo-tech programs, ECCC also makes available several clubs and organizations to further enhance the students' educational experiences. Many students take advantage of the opportunity and have been selected to positions of leadership.

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Dorm officers

Serving as dormitory council officers at East Central Community College in Decatur are (from left) Sissy Greer, president, of Carthage, and Pamela Jones, vice president, of Morton. Not pictured is Stacy Slayton, secretary-treasurer, of Enterprise. Joe Killens serves as sponsor.

Lady Warriors prep for season

Another talent-laden softball team is set to take the field at East Central Community College where the 1999 campaign gets underway on Tuesday, Feb. 23. The Lady Diamond Warriors open on the road at Holmes Community College with double-header action beginning at 3 p.m. in Goodman.

This year's squad featured the return of several key members from the 1997-98 team which placed third in the region and state tournaments en route to an overall 32-25 mark. Infielder Wendy Mapp posted a .500 batting average and was named All-American, All-Region and All-State. She was the top vote-getter on last year's All-Region squad. Also expected to have another outstanding reason is Ragan Mitchell, an All-Region and All-State selection, batted .440 and was the only freshman pitcher selected on All-Region 23 squad.

In addition to Mapp and Mitchell, other returnees included infielders Dana Misso and Boosie Carter, and outfielder Ginger Moore.

Freshman team members include outfielders Lacey Johnson of Carthage, Leanne Stampley, Lebreeska Chesney, Brooke Manigold and Tonya Moncrief; infielders Arletha Moncrief, Allison Bailey, Bridgette Stamper; catcher Mandy Ivey and pitcher Amanda Harris.

Lady Diamond Warriors coach Mike Anderson is returning for his seventh season.

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ECCC Players to present 'Camelot' April 21-24

The East Central Community College Players will conclude the 1998-99 season with the musical production of Lerner and Loewe's "Camelot." Performances will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, April 21-24, in the Ovid S. Vickers Fine Arts Center on the Decatur campus. Tickets are $5 for students and $8 for adults.

The musical is set in the mythical kingdom of Camelot. After Arthur (Chas Evans of Chunky) is able to pull Excalibar, a sword, from a stone, he becomes king. In an arranged marriage, he marries Guenevere (Amanda McMillan of Lake) to unite kingdoms and prevent war. Although they are happy for a while, Arthur was not Guenevere's choice for a husband.

After Lancelot (Joshua Young of Carthage) arrives in Camelot to become the most perfect of the Knights of the Round Table, he accidentally kills Sir Lionel (Michael Cutway of Decatur) in a joust. But when he is able to bring him back to life, Guenevere falls for Lancelot.

For five years the world is at peace. Arthur knows that Lancelot and Guenevere are in love, but he loves them. Likewise, they love him and don't want to hurt him. They do nothing to further their relationship until Arthur is kidnapped and imprisoned in the Enchanted Forest for a night.

When the evil Mordred (Jonathan Thorne of Hickory) and other knights find Lancelot and Guenevere embracing Arthur returns an imprisons Guenevere for treason. Just as she is about to be burned at the stake, Lancelot comes and rescues her, much to Arthur's relief.

Before the play ends Arthur forgives them but the ideal world of Camelot is over and the knights are at war once more.

Additional cast members include Henry Moreau, Nathan Evans, Johnny Neese, Brad Sutphin and Sara Moreau, all of Decatur; Richard Lancaster, Joy Clark and Nina Simmons, all of Newton; Melanie Atkinson, Jackson; Chad Anderson, Jessica Goforth and Leslie Mangrum, all of Union; Jamie White and Shalene Walker, both of Forest; John Critz, Wesley Rounsaville and Valarie Barfield, all of Philadelphia; Sheila Coleman, Preston; Tara Yarbrough, Sturgis; Nickie Peden, Louisville; Tiffany Mizell, Carthage; and Brooke Broadway, Montgomery, Ala.

Musical selections include "If Ever I Should Leave You," "How to Handle a Woman," and "Camelot." The play is directed by Lila Hunt with vocal music direction by Ross Price and instrumental music direction by Thomas Carson. Adrienne Latshaw serves as choreographer and accompanists are Leesa Wilkinson and Tonya Morgan-Kirk.

For ticket information contact Juanita West at ECCC, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, MS 39327, Ph. 635-2111 or toll free 1-877-462-3222, ext. 236.

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ECCC Vo-Tech Students of th Month....

These East Central Community College students were recently chosen vocational-technical students of the month for November. Students and their respective programs include (front row, from left) Melissa Reed of Louisville, child development technology; Patricia Antone of Lena, gerontology technology; Joan Baity of Louisville, computer technology; (second row, from left) Anthony Prior, welding, and Patricia Hathorn, business technology, both of Louisville; Kevin Willis of Philadelphia, electrical technology; and Howard Hancock of Morton, electronic technology; (back row, from left) Lee Willis of Philadelphia, collision repair technology; Jake Wilson of Summerdale, Ala., drafting and design technology; and Derek Burton of Decatur, machine shop technology. Not pictured are Denar Muhammad of Little Rock, automotive mechanics technology; Gary Langley of Collinsville, carpentry and cabinetmaking; Owen Lewis of Meridian, cosmetology; Jeff Monk of Hillsboro, heating and air conditioning technology; and Rhonda Smith, licensed practical nursing, and Michael Roland, surgical technology, both of Decatur. For more information regarding ECCC's vocational-technical programs, contact Jimmy Dempsey, counselor, Ph. 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), ext. 214. (EC Photo)

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Dotzauer, Mitchell Selected Mr. and Miss ECCC

Uwe Dotzauer of Landau, Germany, and Ragan Mitchell of Nanih Waiya were recently selected Mr. and Miss East Central Community College. The two were selected by a vote of the student body.

Dotzauer, who is the first foreign student selected for this honor, is a sophomore liberal arts major. He is a member of the ECCC Tennis Team and the Environmental Club and was on the committee for the International World Literature Banquet. Dotzauer serves as a manager for the men's basketball team and designed the web page for both the men's and women's basketball squads.

For the past two years he was a member of the men's doubles championship team in the annual Alumni/Student Tennis Tournament held during Homecoming and he was presented the Warrior tennis team's most improved player award in 1998. A Dean's List scholar, Dotzauer is a member of Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society for the two-year college, where he serves as treasurer. He was also nominated for the All-Mississippi Academic Team.

A sophomore pre-pharmacy major, Mitchell is a member of the Lady Warrior softball team and was selected an All-Region 23 pitcher her freshman year. She is also a member of Students Against Drunk Driving, Sigma Sigma Mu Tau (the Medical Club), Mu alpha Theta (math club) and Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

She serves as vice president of the Student Body Association and was selected freshman class vice president. Mitchell is a member of the Warrior Corps, a select group of students who assist in recruiting and serve as hosts for various campus events, and serves as reporter for Phi Theta Kappa. A President's List scholar, Mitchell was selected a sophomore homecoming maid and was named to *who's who Among Students in American Junior Colleges.*

Dotzauer is the son of Hans and Waltraud Dotzauer of Landau, Germany. Mitchell is the daughter of Robin Gregory of Philadelphia. The two will be featured in the 1999 edition of the college yearbook, the Wo-He-Lo.

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WEEK OF March 8, 1999

Taylor begins EC fundraising effort

A contribution from Forest banker George Taylor officially began a fundraising effort at East Central Community College in Decatur where donations are being accepted to have portraits made of individuals in whose honor campus buildings are named. Estimated cost of the project is $3300. Taylor (left), a 1967 ECCC graduate and member of the College's Foundation Board of Directors, is shown presenting a check to Dr. Eddie M. Smith, ECCC president. To make a contribution or for more information contact the Office of Development and Alumni Relations, East Central Community College, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, Ph 635-2111 or call toll free, 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), ext. 323.

ECCC to host free satellite seminar

The East Central Community College Small Business Development Center and the College's Skill/Tech One Stop Career Center will host a free satellite seminar titled "Y2K: Minimizing Organizational Risk" from 1 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, March 24, on the Decatur campus.

The seminar is a production of PBS-The Business Channel and will be hosted by Mike Eglan, editor of Windows Magazine.

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BRADFORD J TUCKER APPLIED TECHNOLOGY CENTER

Outstanding Vo-Tech students

These East Central Community College students were recently chosen vocational-technical students of the month for January. Students and their respective programs include (from left) Michael Verley of Enterprise, electrical technology; Durwin Lewis of Meridian, automotive mechanics technology; Rody Willis of Philadelphia, carpentry and cabinet making; Michael Boyette of Enterprise, collision repair technology; Aaron Dale Burkeen, welding and Lorenzo Griffin, electronic technology, both of Philadelphia; Malinda Melton of Newton, business technology; T.J. Madison of Philadelphia, computer technology; Brenda Carr of Forest, child development technology; and Jerlene Wheaton of Newton, cosmetology. Not pictured are Pam Chunn of Philadelphia, drafting and design technology; Matthew Stribling of Carthage, heating and air conditioning technology; Van Goss of Louisville, licensed practical nursing; Kenneth Harris of Carthage, machine shop technology; and Stacy Mills of Union, surgical technology. For more information regarding ECCC's vocational-technical programs, contact Jimmy Dempsey, counselor, East Central Community College, Post Office Box 129, Decatur, MS 39327, Phone: 635-2111 or toll free, 1-887-462-3222, ext. 214.

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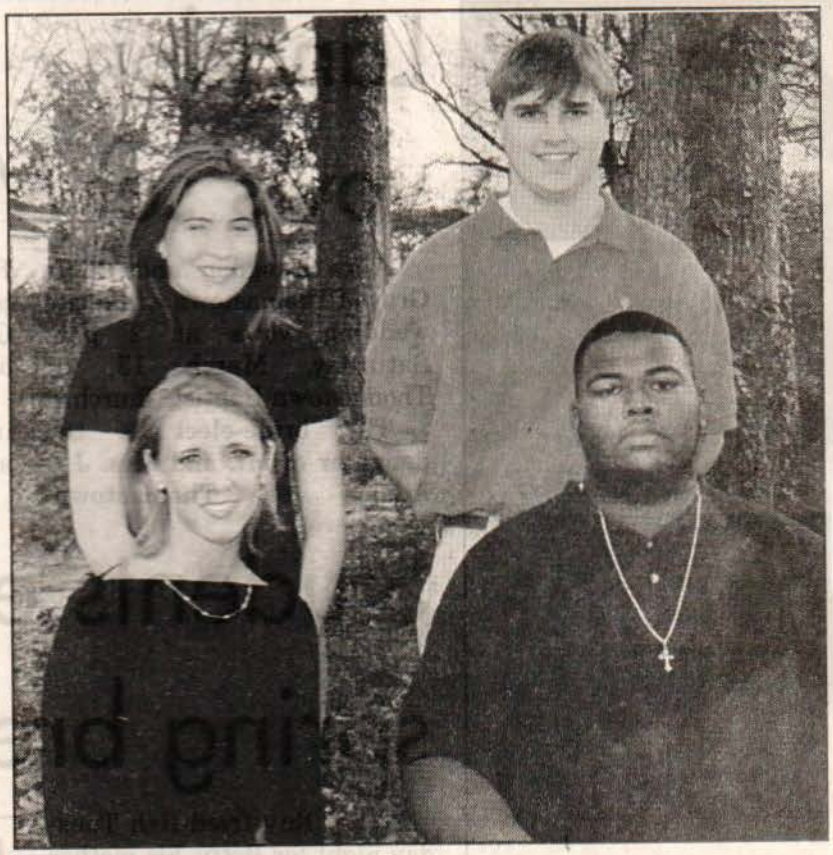

Warrior Corps officers

These East Central Community College students are serving as officers of the Warrior Corps, a select group of students who assist in recruiting and serve as hosts for various campus events. Pictured are (seated, from left) Casey Lewis of Madden, president; Anthony Jimmerson of Louisville, secretary; and (standing, from left) Katie Stokes of Nanih Waiya, treasurer; and Jonathan Mills of Philadelphia, vice president. Academic counselor Michael Alexander serves as advisor.

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Most outstanding PTK Chapter

East Central Community College's Theta Xi Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society of the two-year college, was recognized as the Most Outstanding Chapter at the annual Mississippi-Louisiana Regional Awards Ceremony held Feb. 7, at Hinds Community College, Rankin Campus. Theta Xi was also selected a five-star chapter, was a Leadership Hallmark winner, and received a Brotherhood Award for work and activities with other chapters. Also honored was retired ECCC- English instructor Carol Vickers of Decatur who was selected Phi Theta Kappa's Most Distinguished Alumnus. Those attending the awards ceremony were chapter members (front row, from left, Dr. Shelby Harris, advisor; Lance Noel, of Forest, Jennifer Savell of Lake, Connie Tew of Forest, Philip Smith of Philadelphia, Christy Pearce of Decatur, Laura Shows of Lena, Uwe Dotzauer of Landau, Germany; Craig McRae of Carthage and Ann Burkes,advisor; back row, Tracy Latham of Forest, Kristi French and Robyn Watts, both of Union; Kristen Mills of Newton, Celeste Staton of Union, Stacy Cotton of Decatur, Amanda Stokes of Meridian and Penny Russell of Decatur. Burkes and Harris will accompany members to the Phi Theta Kappa International Convention April 29-May 1 in Anaheim, Calif.

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Serve as HOSA officers

These students are serving as officers of the East Central Community College HOSA (Health Occupation Students of American) organization. Pictured are (seated, from left) Karen Coffman of Newton, Gina Gant of Meridian and Angelia Warnsley of Morton, licensed practical nursing representatives; and (standing, from left) Michael Roland of Decatur and Stacey Mills and Tracy Kilpatrick, both of Union, surgical technology representatives; and Alex Lee of Lake, state HOSA president. Jancie Jacobs, Sandra Thomas and Katharine Buckman serve as sponsors.

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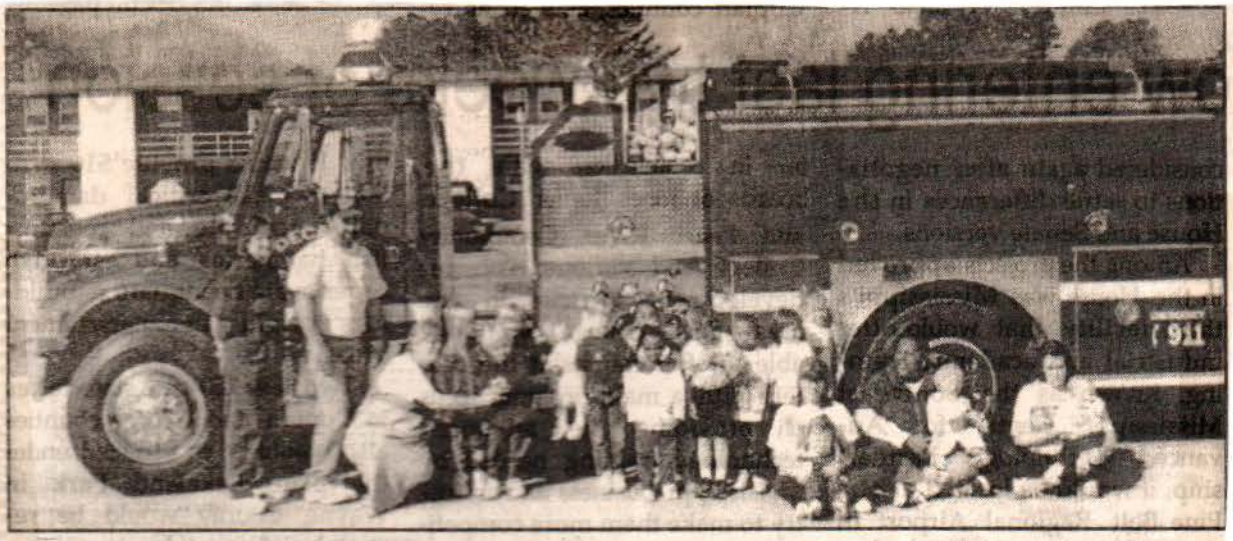

LEARNING ABOUT FIRE SAFETY - Decatur Volunteer Fire Department members Karla Rushing and Steve Baggett recently visited the East Central Community College Child Care Center to teach children about fire safety. They also explained their duties and experiences associated with being fire fighters. Pictured in front of the fire truck are (standing, fromleft) Rushing, Baggett, Kathy George, Child Care Center director; Kirstin Wilkinson, Jacob Williams, Shelby Dearing, Kaylee Yates, Zach Yates, Symone Chapman, Mimi Patrick, DaQuaun Robinson, Marquesila Laster, Trest Underwood, Nicholas Thornton, Natalie Guidry and Katelyn Bowen; and (seated from left) caregiver Rebecca Livingston; Madison Baysinger, EC student worker Val Stribling of Louisville Peyton Forman, EC student worker Melissa Reed of Louisville and Samuel Moore. (EC photo)

RECEIVES ECCC ART SCHOLARSHIP - East Central Community College freshman Marlon Adams of Decatur was recently awarded an academic art scholarship to continue his education at the two-year school. Adams, a graduate of Newton County High School, is shown receiving the honor from ECCC art instructor Bruce Guraedy. (EC Photo)

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Hudspeth Scholarship...

Donors had 'average' student in mind

By **Amy Colemon**
The Meridian Star

DECATUR — When Henry and Faye Hudspeth made the largest individual gift ever received by East Central Community College — $50,000 — to establish the Hudspeth Scholarship, they had the "average" student in mind.

The Hudspeth Scholarship was endowed last fall, and interest from the endowment will be used to fund two scholarships each year.

Mr. Hudspeth, an alumnus of ECCC, said all students should have an equal opportunity to obtain a quality education.

"I'm not particularly concerned about a student being an 'A' student. I want to see the 'C' student have the same opportunity as an 'A' or 'B' student," said Hudspeth, who said he was an average student in high school.

Hudspeth said community and junior colleges offer a complete package for graduating high school seniors.

"The quality of education, faculty and curriculum is the best dollar spent," he said.

The couple's son, Henry, is also an ECCC graduate.

Mr. Hudspeth, a Winston County native, has been a lifelong supporter of ECCC and other community colleges. He served on ECCC's board of trustees for 28 years, and he is currently serving a 6-year term as vice-chairman of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges.

"Mr. Hudspeth and his family have been strong supporters of ECCC for many years," said Dr. Eddie Smith, ECCC president.

"His love for the college didn't end when he left here. He truly loves the college and has the scholarship at heart. This is much appreciated, we certainly appreciate the support."

Students interested in applying for the Hudspeth Scholarship must attend a public, private or homeschool in Winston County; have a minimum of a "C" or "C+" average; have definable career goals and plans; and demonstrate a need for financial assistance.

The first scholarship will be awarded in the 1999 fall semester.

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WEEK OF 3-31-99

Tickets on Sale for ECCC's 'Camelot'

Scheduled April 21-24

Tickets are now on sale for the East Central Community College Players presentation of Lerner and Loewe's "Camelot." Performances will be held at 7:30 PM Wednesday through Saturday, April 21-24, in the Ovid S. Vickers Fine Arts Center on the Decatur Campus. Tickets are $5 for students and $8 for adults.

The musical program is directed by Lila Hunt with vocal music direction by Ross Price and instrumental music direction by Thomas Carson. Adrienne Latshaw serves as choreographer and accompanists are Leesa Wilkinson, and Tonya Morgan-Kirk.

For ticket information contact Juanita West at ECCC, PO Box 129, Decatur MS, 39327, Ph. 635-2111, ext. 236, or call toll free 1-877-462-3222, ext. 236.

GED classes

An ongoing course designed to prepare persons interested in completing the General Equivalency Degree (GED) program is currently being offered by East Central Community College at the Lake Market & Mercantile every Monday and Thursday evening from 7:00 PM until 9:00 PM. Lake Market & Mercantile is located at 139 S. Church Street in Lake. The course is free of charge. Upon completion of the course, students become eligible for the Evelyn Hellen Scholarship for Continuing Adult Education.. Anyone interested should call 775-3377 or come to class Monday or Thurs-

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WEEK OF 3-29-99

Receives ECCC Art Scholarship..... East Central Community College freshman Marlon Adams of Decatur was recently awarded an academic art scholarship to continue his education at the two-year school. Adams, a graduate of Newton County High School, is shown receiving the honor from ECCC art instructor Bruce Guraedy. (EC Photo)

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WEEK OF 4-12-99

ECCC Art Show Scheduled April 12

Various forms of artwork will be on display beginning Monday, April 12, when students at East Central Community College present their Spring Exhibit on the Decatur campus. An opening recitation to officially view the artwork is scheduled from 6:30 to 9 p.m. in the Vickers Fine Arts Center lobby.

Students from this area: Lachae Barrett, Sebastopol; Michael Craig, Danna Dye, Tip Murchison and Heather Warren, all of Morton; Laura Shows and Lori Winstead, both of Forest; and Chris Stokley, Kalem.

Artwork from guest artists of the Central Mississippi Artist Guild will also be on display. CMAG participants include Barbara Goldman, Joyce Ishee and Joan Goodman, all of Pelahatchie; Alice Harris, Zelle Manning, Paula McMillan, Fransceska Roland and Bennye Loeb, all of Morton; Delores Harris and Kay Wolfe, both of Lake; Patricia Lewis, Terry; Ruth McMullan and Brenda Pierce, both of Newton; and Cleo Ware, Pulaski.

There is no charge for admission and refreshments will be served.

For more information contact Bruce Guraedy, art instructor, East Central Community College, Decatur, MS 39327, phone 635-2111, ext. 229, or toll free 877-GO-2-ECCC (877-462-3222).

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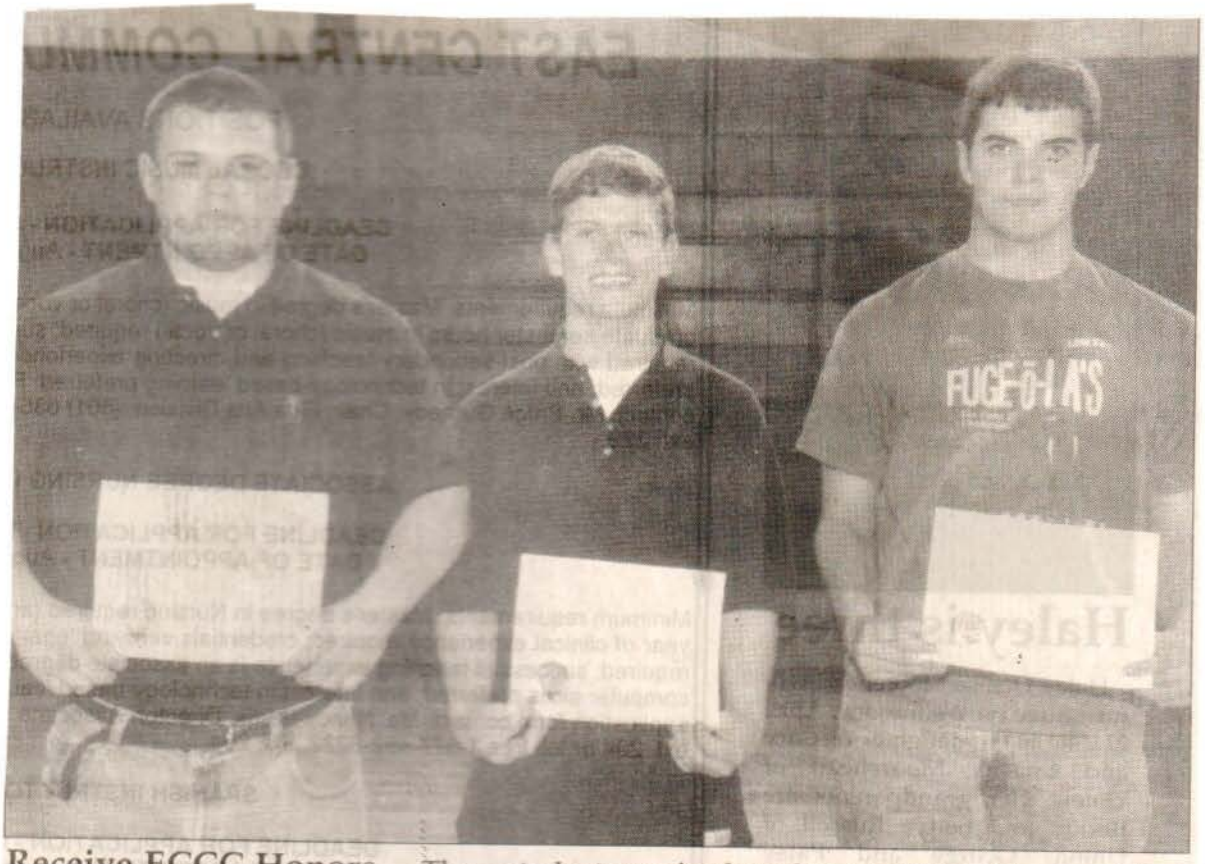

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WEEK OF 4-26-99

DISTRICT HOSA CONTEST WINNERS - These surgical technology students at East Central Community College in Decatur won various honors at the District HOSA (Health Occupation Students of America) competition held at Meridian Community College. From left are Michele Parks of Newton, first place, extemporaneous writing; Kim George of Philadelphia, third, extemporaneous writing and third, surgical technology skills; Tracy Kilpatrick of Union, first, surgical technology skills; Michael Roland of Decatur, second, surgical technology skills and second, job seeking skills; Jennifer Huey of Collinsville, fourth, prepared speaking; Nicky Strait of Lake, second, extemporaneous writing and fifth, surgical technology skills; and Stacie Hall of Forest, fourth, surgical technology skills. All district winners qualified for the state contest scheduled in Jackson. Janice Jacobs serves as ECCC surgical technology instructor. (EC Photo)

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WEEK OF 4-26-99

ECCC's Dallas Scholarship...

Special to The Star

DONATION — Del and Peggy Dallas, left, recently contributed $25,000 to the Fred Preston Dallas and Maudie Threatt Dallas Memorial Scholarship at East Central Community College. Shown with Mr. Dallas, a 1950 ECCC alumnus, is Dr. Eddie Smith, ECCC president. The Dallas Scholarship was established in 1991 by the eight children of Fred Preston Dallas and Maudie Threatt Dallas. Seven of the children attended ECCC.

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WEEK OF 4-26-99

Outstanding at ECCC

These East Central Community College students were recently chosen vocational-technical students of the month for March. Students and their respective programs include (seated, from left) Jody Addy of Decatur, machine shop technology; William Parker of Meridian, collision repair technology; Betina Latiker of Carthage, drafting and design technology; Tena Wiggins of Pineville, child development technology; Michael Johnson of Hickory, electronic technology; and Audrey Parker of Lawrence, gerontology technology; and (standing, from left) Joey Rigdon of Union, computer technology; Eric Rush of Philadelphia, carpentry and cabinetmaking; Fred McClelland of Meridian, automotive mechanics technology; Crystal Pate of Chunky, business technology; Deric Jackson of Union, welding; and Cassie Hollingsworth of Lake, cosmetology. For more information regarding ECCC's vocational-technical programs, contact Jimmy Dempsey, counselor, Ph. 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), ext. 214.

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WEEK OF 4-21-99

EC to hold 'Senior Days'

East Central Community College will be hosting the first of two Senior Days Thursday, March 25, on the Decatur campus.

Students representing several district schools are scheduled to attend the special program and include Choctaw Central, Newton County, Carthage, Edinburg, South Leake, Thomastown, Leake Academy, Louisville, Nanih Waiya, Noxapater, Grace Christian and Carthage Christian.

An additional senior day will be held Tuesday, March 30. Schools represented are Newton, Newton Academy, Union, Winston Academy, Neshoba Central, Philadelphia, Forest, Sebastopol, Scott Central, Lake, Morton and Morton Christian.

During these two days students are given campus tours and provided valuable information regarding registration, course offerings, financial aid, and other matters. Other activities include a concert by the Collegians, ECCC's pop-rock vocal and instrumental group, and a complimentary picnic lunch.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. in front of Huff Auditorium.

For more information about Senior Day, contact the Office of the Dean of Students, ECCC, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, Ph 635-2111 or toll free 1-877-462-3222, ext. 205.

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WEEK OF 4-26-99

Receive band clinic honors

These students received first chair, first band honors at the annual East Central Community College District Band Clinic held recently on the Decatur campus. Pictured are (seated, from left) Kerri Burkes of Neshoba Central, mallets; Tammera Neal of Louisville, bari sax; Frances Richmond of Forest, bass clarinet; Marsha Frazier, clarinet, and Amber Gainer, flute, both of Louisville; and Ashley Monk of Sebastopol, alto sax; and (standing from left) Kirk Misso of Neshoba Central, tuba; Andrew Thrash, tenor sax, and Scott King, percussion, both of Sebastopol; Antonio Moncrief of Newton, baritone; Dustin Burton, trumpet, and Chris Carson, French horn, both of Newton County; and Eric Dennis of Sebastopol, trombone. For more information about the ECCC band program contact Thomas W. Carson, Director of Bands, at P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, Ph 635-2111 or toll free 1-877-462-3222, ext. 228.

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WEEK OF 5-3-9

East Central CC to graduate record number on May 14

A record 460 students are expected to walk across the stage and receive diplomas at East Central Community College in Decatur during commencement exercises scheduled Friday, May 14, at Warrior Stadium. Included in the record total are 118 students who completed degree requirements in August and December of 1998. The 460 total surpassed the previous record of 344 students who were presented degrees and certificates at the May, 1998 commencement.

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May 14 candidates for graduation in the Scott County area include:

from Morton: Alisha Bennett, Candice Butler, Danna Dye, Tiffany Frith and Ron Moore; **from Forest:** Shameca Anderson, Malcolm Banks, April Blackledge, April Bowie, Jeff Brown, Tamekia Butler, Brenda Carr, Jason Eason, Thomas Gaddis, III, Becky Harrell, Misti Harrell, Ty Jankowski, Paula Johnson, Latoya Loper, Shelley McKinley, Amanda McMillan, Demone Murrell, Herbert Murrell, Jr., LaKisha Patrick, Stephanie Patrick, Sonya Pinkston, Graylond Rankin, Louise Sharp, Michael Sharp, Judy Thompson, Joseph Tucker and Jessica Wright; **from Lake:** Lasherish Anderson, Carlos Jenkins and Floyzell Williams; **from Hillsboro:** James Palmertree; **from Lena:** John Reeves; **from Pelahatchie:** Santrea Buckner; **from Pulaski:** Richard Boozer; and **from Walnut Grove:** Delvin Monk.

December graduates— from Lake: Stephani Gray and Laura Tadlock; **from Forest:** Cassandra McCarter, Benjamin Robinson, Carrie Rodriguez and Brandy Woods; and **from Walnut Grove:** Cassy Thrash.

July graduates — from Morton: Robin Jennings and Rose McDonald; **from Forest:** Steven Bradford, Misty Burrell, Linda Goodson, Felicia Lay, Joey Pinkston, Kimberly Sharpe and Natasha Smith.

August graduates — from Morton: Lu Ann Gould; **from Forest:** Joyce Bassett, Brandie Bounds and Rebecca Henderson.

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WEEK OF 5-3-99

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Candidates for graduation from Leake County include the following:

James Adams, Benita Atkinson, Roberta Billy, Michelle Blackwell, George Bradley, Donnie Fletcher, Rebecca Fulton, Crystal Gee, Michael Green, Margaret Greer, Linzy Gressett, Jonathan Grice,

Kenneth Hannis, Joan Harvey, Angela Hays, Shar'Lee Ingram, LeAnna Jackson, Lana Kea, Keisha Latham, Betina Latiker, Horace Nash, Timothy Overstreet,

Dana Parker, Ruthie Pigg, Lisa Price, Danny Rushing, Valarie Sam, Vanessa Sanders, Michael Stewart, Rusty Thornton, Donna Tucker, Christopher Waggoner, Michael Whittington and Christy Wooten, all of Carthage;

Richard Burkett and Rhonda Knowles, both of Kosciusko; John Hall, Jody Johnson, Sherry Moss and Jackie Ward, all of Lena; and Joe Edwards, Marcus Ellis, Jr., Alicia Jordan, Schnitta Patrick and Anthony Sagona, Jr., all of Walnut Grove.

December graduates

Morris, Nikki Ross and Rebecca Sikes, all of Carthage.

July graduates

Christy Sanders and J. Smith, both of Carthage.

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Sharon Stewart, and Carrie Perkin Grove.

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WEEK OF 5-3-99

Receives ECCC honors

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ECCC YEARBOOK RECEIVES AWARD - The 1998 East Central Community College W0-He-Lo received an Award of Excellence at the annual Mississippi Community and Junior College Press Association awards banquet. The yearbook, which was titled "Perfecting Our Image Since 1928," received third place honors for copy. Vanessa Sanders (center) of Carthage, formerly of Anchorage, Alaska, served as co-editor of the 1998 Wo-He-Lo Also pictured are co-advisors Melinda Smith (left) and Juanit West. Not pictured is co-editor Brooke Griffith of Hickory.

ECCC STUDENTS RECEIVE VICA HONORS - These East Central Community College VICA (Vocational Industrial Clubs of America) students recently received honors at the State Leadership and Skills Conference. Pictured are (from left) Sharon Thomas of Newton and Stephanie Moss of Stonewall, third place in cosmetology; and Stephen Joyner of Union, second place, residential wiring. Not pictured are Rody Willis of Philadelphia, third place in carpentry, and Bill Wilson of Decatur, first place in major appliance repair. Wilson, who was also elected state VICA reporter, will represent ECCC and Mississippi at the national competition in Kansas City, Missouri, in June. (EC Photo)

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WEEK OF 5-3-99

ECCC schedules Pre-NLN exam for May 15

East Central Community College will offer the Pre-NLN (National League of Nursing) Exam for those wanting to enter the College's Licensed Practical Nursing Program.

The exam will begin at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, May 15, in the Associate Degree Nursing/Child Care Technology Building on the Decatur campus. The cost is $30 and participants may register the day of the test.

For more information contact ECCC vocational-technical counselor Jimmy Dempsey at P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, Ph. 635-2111, ext. 214, or toll free 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222).

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WEEK OF 5-3-99

Enrolled in ECCC program

For years David Thames of Louisville has struggled with a reading problem. Now the 42-year-old employee at Allied Enterprises in Philadelphia is improving his reading skills by attending adult literacy classes provided at the worksite by East Central Community College in Decatur. Thames is shown during one of his class meetings with Sandy Comans of Decatur, who serves as an instructor for the College's Skill/Tech One-Stop Career Center. The Center provides free adult basic education courses in addition to various other services for businesses and industries located in ECCC's five-county district. For more information contact the Career Center, Ph 635-2111, ext. 299 or call toll free,1 -877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877462-3222), ext. 299.

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Work-Learn program

East Central Community College Drafting and Design Technology instructor Ricky Harrison (left) uses feedback from Work-Based Learning partnerships to help students like Brandon Tucker (seated) of Carthage, who works for East Mississippi Electric Power Association, upgrade skill levels attained through class projects. Also pictured is former ECCC WBL student Becky Addy of Decatur who is employed by the Mississippi Department of Transportation.

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WEEK OF 5-3-99

ECCC ASNEC makes donation

Associate Degree Nursing student Shea Trapp, left, of Philadelphia, president of the East Central Community College ASNEC (Association of Student Nurses at East Central Community College) organization presented a $1,000 check to Kim Lee, right, of the American Cancer Society for the Newton County Relay for Life. Funds were raised through various campus activities. ASNEC earlier presented a check for $1,500 to the National Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

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WEEK OF 5-3-99

Rodeo notches Ozark top 10

❑ Men's tennis aces ninth in State/Region 23 Tournament

The East Central Community College Rodeo Team recently completed its first year of competition in the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association with both the men's and women's teams ranked in the top 10 in the Ozark Region.

Daniel Bounds finished seventh in Bullriding, while Darvol Hart was ninth. Adam Cavenaugh was rated eleventh in Bareback Riding, while Stacy Dial was thirteenth in Girls' Breakaway Roping and Matt Allgood was ranked sixteenth in Saddle Bronc.

In the rodeo team's most recent competition at the University of Tennessee-Martin, Cavenaugh tied for first in the preliminary round in Bareback Riding, while Jeremy Nowell was fourth in Bullriding.

Michael Alexander, academic counselor and rodeo sponsor, said, "We are very excited about next year's outlook. The entire team is coming back plus we have 15 to 20 high school finals."

For more information about the rodeo team, contact Alexander at 635-2111, ext. 231.

Netters net ninth

The East Central Community College men's tennis team recently participated in the MACJC State/Region 23 Tennis Tournament held at Jones County Junior College in Ellisville.

The Warriors totaled two points and finished tied for ninth in the annual competition, which was won by Hinds Community College with 25 points.

Other participants and points scored included Jones, 22; Meridian and Northeast, 14 each; Copiah-Lincoln, 11; Pearl River and Itawamba, nine each; Gulf Coast, seven; Holmes, two; and Southwest, one. Northwest also participated but scored no points.

Members of the ECCC men's team included Matt Stovall, Jonathan Mills, Dan Tingle, Ray Waddell, Tim Cager, Kevin Carter, Tracy Goodin and Uwe Dotzauer.

Jay Bowen serves as tennis coach for the East Central men and women.

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ECCC Student Leaders.....Selected to lead the East Central Community College Student Body Association for the 1999-2000 term are (seated, from left) Veronica Haynes of Louisville, president; Ashley McDill of Decatur, vice president; and (standing, from left) Tesa Henry of Forest, secretary; and Robyn Watts of Union, treasurer. (EC Photo)

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WEEK OF 5-17-99

East Central Community College announces 1999 graduates

DECATUR — The names of graduates for the Class of 1999 at East Central Community College.

Among the graduates are James Adams, Bradley Addkison, Jeff Addy, Jerri Adkins, Silje Adnesen, William Alawine, Jennifer Alford, Jason Allen, Joey Allen, Thomas Allen, Elisha Amos, Yulonda Arnos, Juakita Anderson, Lakeshia Anderson, Lasherish Anderson, Ronnie Anderson, Shameca Anderson, JoBeth Andreacchio, Brenda Apperson, Audrie Archie, Pamela Ared, Benita Atkinson, Pamela Atkinson, Lee Bailey, JoAnn Baity, Malcolm Banks, Joyce Bassett, Christopher Beamon, Candice Beason, Craig Beck, Alisha Bennett, Roberta Billy, April Elackledge, Michelle Blackwell, Richard Boozer, Amanda Bounds, Brandie Bounds, April Bowie, Leslie Brackeen, Steven Bradford, George Bradley, Tammy Bradley, Melissa Brand, Stephanie Brookshire,

Jeff Brown, Santrea Buckner, Stephanie Bugg, James Burgin, Aaron Burkeen, Baron Burkes, Richard Burkett, Misty Burrell, Amanda Burt, Derek Burton, Kimberly Burton, Victoria Burton, Gregory Busby, Candice Butler, Tamekia Butler, Richard Byrd, Genise Campbell, Brenda Carr, Kevin Carter, Laneezer Carter, Marina Carter, Tawaski Carter, Sandra Chambliss, Chadwick Champion, Jeremy Chaney, Justin Chaney, Crystal Chapman, Denise Chapman, Verneria Chapman, Lisa Chesney, Kimberly Cistrunk, Antonio Clayton, Selecia Clayton, Mary Clemons, Lisa Cleveland, Donna Cole, Elizabeth Cole, Jermi Coleman,

Sheila Coleman, Jason Conrad, Jessica Colley, Wanda Lee Cooley, Sheila Cotton, Jennifer Covington, Brad Creel, Curry, Michael Cutway, Lori Darsey, Elba H. Davidson Jr., Wanda Davidson, Amy Dellana, Angela Dempsey, Lisa Dendy, Ashley Denson, Melinda DeWeese, Uwe Dotzauer, Tara Dumas, Brandi Duncan, Danna Dye, Jason Eason, Joe Edwards, Marcus Ellis Jr., Chas Evans, Eric Evans, Jennifer Evans, Kimberly Evans, Laketa Evans, Lucrecia Evans, Robert Evans, Romonica Evans, Rosalind Evans, Valerie Evans, Laura Faulk, Cody Fisher, Mork Fleming, Donnie Fletcher,

Tammy Frazier, Tiffany Frith, Recebba Fulton, Thomas Gaddis III, Juanita Gardinski, Reginald Gardner, Corey Garrison, Crystal Gee, Elizabeth George, Linda Goodson, Jason Goss, Kellie Goss, Lu Gould, Douglas Graham, Justin Gray, Stephanie Gray, Michael Green, Margaret Greer, Brad Gregory, Linzy Gressett, Jonathan Grice, Carrie Griffith, Christy Gross, John Hall, Neil Hansford, Velesha Hare, Becky Harrell, Misti Harrell, Melanie Harris, Jacqueline Harrison, Joan Harvey, Patriciia Hathorn, Angela Hays, Victoria Helms, Rebecca Henderson, Thomas Henton, Joshua Herrington, Gwendolyn Hickman, a Holder, Dorothy Holdiness, Kimberly Hollingsworth, Chenise Horne, Anthony Hornesburger, Janita Hornesburger, Kendall Hoskin, Anthony Hoxie, Jessie Hughes, Xavier Hughes, Beth Hurley, Shar'Lee Ingram, Prisinda Isaac, Valerie Isaac, Barbara Ivey, Deric Jackson, Stacy Jackson, Susan Jackson, Ty Jankowski, Carlos Jenkins, Eddie Jenkins, Robin Jennings, Geraldine Johnson,

Latrecia Johnson, Paula Johnson, Roshanda Johnson, Scotty Johnson, Kristi Jones, LaKeshia Jones, Tammy Jones, Valerie Jones, William Melanie King, Kevin Knowles, Bethany Laird, Sandra Lampkin, Keisha Latham, Betina Latiker, Felicia Lay, David Lepard, Casey Lewis, Durwin Lewis, Brock Lillis, Tracy Lindsey, Wendy Lingle, Max Lobenfovich, Latoya Loper, Thelma Love, Annie Levern, Felix Loving, Adam Lowrey, Melvin Manus, Wendy Mapp, Daniel Mars, Felisha Martin, Travis Martin, Christina Massey, Lamont May, Lucinda McAdory, Rosemary McArthur, Cassandra McCarter, Abby McCarty, Ashaki McCoy, Billie McCune, Dennis McDill, Jerry McDonald, Rose McDonald, Kurfetha 'McGee, Shelley McKinley, Amanda McMillan, Larry McMillan, Phyllis McMillan, Teddy McMillan, Dustin McMullan, Brad McNair, James Meadows, Malinda Melton, Amanda Miles, Cecily Miles, Debra Miller,

Chris Milling, Jonathan Millis, Laura Ming, Ragan Mitchell, Delvin Monk, Beverly Moody, Heather Moody, Stefanie Moody, Ginger Moore, Patricia F. Moore, Patricia Moore, Ron Moore, David Morehead, Ronnie Morris, B.J. Morrow, Sherry Moss, Joan Mulford, Demane Murrell, Herbert Murrell Jr., Kevin Murry, Horace Nash, Danny Nelms, Joe Robert Nicholas, Kimberly Nicholson, Roddy; Nickey, Sharon Nix, Jeremy Nowell, Ellen Nutt, Glenn Ogletree, Essie Overstreet, Timothy Overstreet, Jennifer Pace, Lindy Pace, Dana Parker, Vincent Parker, Jade Parkes, George Parks, Crystal Pate, Chester Patrick, Maude Patrick, Schnitta Patrick, Stephanie Patrick, Angela Patterson, Christina Pearce, Pamela Pearson, Joseph Peden, Brian Pendergrass, Layla Peoples, Carrie Perkins, Dorian Perkins, Susan Perkins, Patrick Perry, Will

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READY TO GRADUATE – Eddie Smith talks to graduates Saturday before ceremonies.

Pinkston, Sonya Pinkston, Chris Plaisance, Lisa Price, Roland Price,

Jennifer Pugh, Jennifer Pullin, Peggy Quinn, Tammy Radernacher, Lisa Rainer, Mellisa Reed, John Michael Reeves, Josh Reeves, Jodene Rice, Joseph Rigdon, Debbie Risher, Patricia Roberson, Andrea Robertson, Kristopher Robertson, Michelle Robertson, Benjamin Robinson, Jennifer Robinson, Jessica Robinson, Michele Robinson, Stephanie Robinson, Carrie Rodriguez, Amy Rogers, Tina Routh, Brandy Rush, Eric Rush, Danny Rushing, Glenn Rushing, Jeremy Rushing, Jimmy Rushing, Karen Rushing, Derek Russell, Kenyatta Russell, Sandy Russell, Anthony Sagone Jr., Christy Sanders, Lislie Sanders, Priscilla Sanders, Vanessa Sanders, Ashley Scarborough, LePenny Sellers, Louise Sharp, Michael Sharp, Kimberly Sharpe, Tracy Shoemake, Rebecca Sikes, J. Kris Smith, Jay Smith, Kimberly Smith, Natasha Smith, Philip Smith, Tiffany Smith, Yolanda Smith, Stephanie Spangler, Stephen Spire, Casey Spivey, Celeste Staton, Susan Staton, Gail Stephens, Jarnes Stewart, Kimberly Stewart, Sharon Stewart, Virginia Stokes,

Laura Tadlock, Ruthie Talley, Artoinette Taylor, Jeffery Taylor, Felisha Temple, Demetrius Thompson, Judy Thompson, Pamela Thompson, Rusty Thornton, Cassy Thrash, Ronnie Thrash Jr., Shea Trapp, Nelson Triplett, Willie Triplett, Clara Tubby, ucker, Donna Tucker, Joseph Tucker, Linda Tucker, Michael Verley, Natalie Vowell, Chrystal Waddell, Ray Waddell, Christopher Waggoner, Charles Walker, Dana Walker, Jamanda Walker, Charles Waller, Jackie Ward, Charles Ware, Mary Warren, Billy Watkins, Robb Watson, Chondra Wheaton, Michael Whittington, Tena Wiggins,

Courtney Wilcher, Chanssa Williams, Floyzell Williams, Kimberly Williams, Lathom Williams, Rosie Williams, Christy Williamson, Kenise Willis, Kevin Willis Sr., Lee Willis, Rody Willis, Tracy Wilson, Alsha Windham, Tasha Wolverton, Greg Wood, Crystal Woodard, Amber Woods, Brandy Woods, Christy Wooten, LaKen Wraggs, Jessica Wright, Calherine York, Holly Young and Kimberly Young.

WEEK OF 5-17-99

6 inducted into ECCC Hall of Fame

East Central Community College recently observed its annual Awards Day program on the Decatur campus. Numerous students were honored, including six who were inducted into the college's Hall of Fame, the highest honor a student can achieve at ECCC. To be considered for this honor, recipients "must demonstrate exemplary character, superior scholarship, worth leadership and contribute to the betterment of East Central Community College," said college president Dr. Eddie M. Smith. Those selected for the prestigious honor for 1998-1999 include Uwe Dotzauer, Landau, Germany; Brandi D uncan, Brock Lillis and Ragan Mitchell, all of Philadelphia; Jennifer Pace of Decatur; and Vanessa Sanders of Anchorage, Alaska.

Kids College offered at ECCC this summer

Classes will be held during June and July for elementary children ages seven to 11 and for junior high children ages 12-14. Golf technique class for ages 15-17 and a special 3 week theater course for grades 7-12 will be offered on the Decatur Campus. Cost will be $40 per class or $60 for two classes that meet during same week. For information call 1-877-462-3222.

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WEEK OF 5-17-99

EC rodeo teams earn ranking in first year

The East Central Community College rodeo team recently completed its first year of competition in the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association with both the men's and women's team ranked in the top 10 in the Ozark Region.

Darvol Hart of Little Rock finished ninth in bullriding and Daniel Bounds of Lawrence was ranked 11th in the same category.

Also rated 11th in his respective category was Adam Cavenaugh of Chunky who competed in bareback riding.

Stacy Dial of Livingston, Ala., was 13th in girls' breakaway roping and Matt Allgood of Crystal Springs was ranked 16th in saddle bronc.

In the rodeo team's most recent competition at the University of Tennessee-Martin, Cavenaugh tied for first place in the preliminary round in bareback riding and Jeremy Nowell of Nanih Waiya was fourth in bull riding.

Michael Alexander, rodeo sponsor, said, "We are very excited about next year's outlook. The entire team is coming back plus we have 15 to 20 high school students coming in that have made it to the national high school finals. We are looking forward to a great year."

Additional team members are Nicki Dean of Newton, Rhea Greer and Allison Housely of Morton, Bryan Madison of Philadelphia, Lucas Nowell of Nanih Waiya, Justin Palmer of Pelahatchie, and Bryant Scallorn of Braxton.

(For more information about the ECCC rodeo team, contact Michael Alexander at 635-2111, ext. 231 or call toll free 1-877-462-3222).

Dr. Harris to be honored with reception

A reception in honor of Dr. Shelby Harris, retiring math instructor and division chairman at East Central Community College, will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, May 23, in the College President's home on the Decatur campus. Dr. Harris has been a member of the ECCC faculty since 1963.

The public is invited to attend.

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WEEK OF May 24, 1999

ECCC HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES - These ECCC sophomores were recently inducted into the College's Hall of Fame, the highest honor a student can achieve at ECCC. Honorees include (seated, fromleft) Jennifer Pace of Decatur and Ragan Mitchell of Nanih Waiya; and (standing, from left) Brock Lillis of Philadelphia, Vanessa Sanders of Anchorage, Alaska; Brandi Duncan of Philadelphia and Uwe Dotzauer of Landau, Germany. (EC Photo)

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NCVC Memorial Awards.... The Newton County Vocational Center has presented two memorial awards in honor of former vocational students. Pictured left to right are Faye Fuller, Child Care Instructor and Jessica Harrison. Jessica was chosen as the 1999 recipient of the Elaine Little Memorial Award given to an outstanding Child Care student. Jessica is also the recipient of an East Central Community College Vocational Scholarship. Not pictured is Jennifer Sellers, the 1999 recipient of the Wade Long Memorial Award given to an outstanding Allied Health student. Mrs. Leigh Chesney is the Allied Health Instructor.

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WEEK OF May 24, 1999

Alford earns art scholarship

Philadelphian Jennifer Alford has earned the 1999 Philadelphia-Neshoba County Arts Council Scholarship granted to an East Central Community College sophomore.

The award funded by the PNC Arts Council and administered by ECCC was announced at this month's ECCC Awards Day. Miss Alford received her Associate of Arts Degree at the College's Spring graduation ceremony at which she was named an Honor Graduate.

Miss Alford is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Alford of Philadelphia.

She plans to use the Arts Council Scholarship at Mississippi University for Women where she will continue her degree studies toward a major in art education. Miss Alford also has been granted a full scholarship by MUW.

At ECCC she was a member of the Phi Theta Kappa academic honor society, the ECCC Choir and a President's List scholar. In addition to her work in visual arts she is a musician and vocalist. Miss Alford is a graduate of Philadelphia High School.

Jennifer Alford of Philadelphia (center) talks with Bruce Guready of Decatur and Susan Jackson of Philadelphia about the Philadelphia-Neshoba County Arts Council Arts Scholarship she has won. Mr. Guready is head of the Art Department at East Central Community College which administers the scholarship program. Mrs. Jackson is President of the Philadelphia-Neshoba County Arts Council which funds the scholarship.

Bruce Guraedy, head of ECCC's art department, said the school "is very grateful to PNC Arts Council for giving East Central the honor of administering this scholarship. We are very proud of Jennifer. She more than meets the requirements established for this scholarship.

"I would like to mention that Jennifer's art teacher at Philadelphia High School was Floyd Bozeman who also is an Honor Graduate of East Central."

The PNC Arts Council scholarship, originated in the mid-1990s, sets academic, artistic and education requirements which must be met by recipients.

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Collegians Ready for 'Cruise' Performance.... The Collegians, East Central Community College's pop/rock vocal and instrumental group, will perform their tenth national tour this summer when they climb aboard Premier Cruise Line's "Big Red Boat." The popular ensemble will perform several concerts on the cruise ship as well as in Nassau and Port Lucaya, Bahamas. Members of the group include (front row, from left) Ryan Woodard, Louisville; Ashley Byram, Sebastopol; Rebecca Fulton, Philadelphia; Nicki Peden, Louisville; and Craig McRae, Carthage; (second row, from left) Jason Gaines, Decatur; Chas Evans, Chunky; Brandi Duncan, Philadelphia; Gabriel Velasco, West Point; Tori Jordan, Decatur; Nathan Shaw, Philadelphia; Jason Wallace, Louisville; and Susan Staton, Union; and (back row, from left) Robert Savell, Lake; Jeff Denson, Morton; Mark Eakes and Matt Eakes, both of Philadelphia; Jay Smith, Decatur; and Dusti Comans, Sebastopol. Thomas W. Carson serves as director. (EC Photo)

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PRESENTS NEW ECCC YEARBOOK - East Central Community College yearbook sponsor Patsy Moore is shown presenting a copy of the 1999 publication to Dr. Eddie M. Smith, ECCC -president. Also pictured during the presentation is Melinda Smith, co-sponsor. The theme of this year's Wo-He-Lo is "A World Within." Copies of the y yearbooks were distributed following the annual Awards Day program held on the Decatur campus. For additional information regarding the publication contact the English Department, PH. 635-2111, ext. 364.

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HANSFORD RECEIVES HONOR - Recent East Central Community College honor graduate Neil Hansford of Hickory, who served as 1998-99 president of the College's Theta Xi Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, was presented a Distinguished Chapter President Award at the organization's 1999 international convention held recently in Anaheim, California. Hansford is one of only 25 chapter presidents to receive the prestigious honor. Phi Theta Kappa is the international honor society for two-year colleges, with more than 1200 chapters at community, technical and junior colleges in all 50 states, Canada, Germany, Japan and U.S. Territories abroad. Hansford is shown receiving his medallion award from Dr. Shelby Harris and Ann Burkes, ECCC chapter advisors. The Newton County High School product was earlier named honorable mention on the 1999 All-Mississippi Academic Team for Community and Junior Colleges, which is coordinated by *The Clarion-Ledger*, Phi Theta Kappa, Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges, and the Mississippi State Board for Community Junior Colleges.

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WEEK OF May 31, 1999

MSU scholarship recipients

These East Central Community College sophomores received transfer scholarships to continue their education at Mississippi State University. The scholarships were presented at the annual ECCC Awards Day program held on the Decatur campus. Pictured are (seated, from left) Stephanie Bugg, Lawrence; Corrine Chambliss, Louisville; Danna Dye, Morton; Cody Fisher, Conehatta; Margaret Greer and Linzy Gressett, both of Carthage; Neil Hansford, Decatur; and Amanda McMillan, Forest; and (standing, from left) Jonathan Mills and B.J. Morrow, both of Philadelphia; Laura Ming, Louisville, Lisa Price, Carthage; Vanessa Sanders, Anchorage, Alaska; Katie Stoke Louisville; Donna Tucker, Carthage; Natalie Vowel Louisville; Courtney Wilcher, Edinburg; Scicile Wilkerso Pulaski; Laura Faulk, Louisville; and John Dickerso MSU Associate Director of Enrollment Services. Not pi tured are Angela Dempsey and Clifford Gregory, both Louisville; Donnie Fletcher and Jonathan Grice, both Carthage; Christopher Fuller, Pulaski; Amanda Mile Union; Amanda Keeton, Morton; Erik Perozo, Lake; an Ronnie Thrash and Gregory Willis, both of Newton.

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Get USM scholarships

These East Central Community College sophomores received transfer scholarships to the University of Southern Mississippi. Scholarships were presented at the annual ECCC Awards Day program held on the Decatur campus. Pictured are (seated, from left) Candice Butler, Morton, Jessica Wright, Forest, Christina Pearce, Decatur and Uwe Dotzauer, Landau, Germany; and (standing, from left) Jennifer Pace, Decatur, Shelley McKinley, Forest, Phillip Smith, Philadelphia, Betina Latiker, Carthage, and USM Admissions Counselor Jennifer Gressett. Smith also received the USM Eddie M. Smith Presidential Scholarship.

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WEEK OF May 31, 1999

Receive UM scholarships

These East Central Community College sophomores were presented transfer scholarships to attend the University of Mississippi. The scholarships were presented at the annual ECCC Awards Day program held on the Decatur campus. Pictured are (seated, from left) Ragan Mitchell and Mandy Burt, both of Philadelphia; Brad Creel of Meridian and Danna Dye of Morton; and (standing, from left) Laura Faulk of Louisville, Jade Parkes of Decatur and Missy Reid, UM Admissions Counselor. Not pictured are Andrea Robertson of Philadelphia and Heather Moody of Louisville.

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WEEK OF June 7, 1999

EC math clubbers

These students were recently tapped for membership in Mu Alpha Theta, a math club at East Central Community College in Decatur. Seated from left are Stacy Cotten, Decatur; Francis Brown, Morton; Kimberly Thomas, Meridian; and April Wallace, Forest. Standing from left are Marcie Wall, Connie Tew, Jennifer Bounds, Michael Shoemaker, Ginny Rigby and Laura Shows, all of Forest; and Kelly Tucker, Carthage. Math instructor and division chairman Lois McMullan serves as sponsor.

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ECCC students honored on awards day

East Central Community College recently observed its annual "Awards Day" program on the Decatur campus.

Students receiving awards were:

VOCATIONAL AWARDS

Students receiving vocational awards included Eric Rush, Cabinet-making and Rody Willis, carpentry, both of Philadelphia; Regina Buckley of Little Rock and Viola Dade of Hickory, cosmetology; Aaron Dale Burkeen of Philadelphia, welding and cutting; and Tracy Warren of Conehatta, licensed practical nursing and "Vocational Student of the Year."

TECHNICAL AWARDS

Students receiving Technical Awards included Marcus Ellis of Walnut Grove, collision repair technology; George Parks of Lake, automotive technology; Cindy Hornesbuger of Noxapater, child development technology; Kendall Hoskin of Noxapater and Catherine York of Philadelphia, computer technology; Kristopher Robertson, electrical technology, and Eddie Jenkins, electronic technology, both of Philadelphia;

Tomi Mize of Newton, heating and air conditioning technology; Derek Burton, machine shop technology, and Kim Hollingsworth, O.L. Newell Drafting Award, both of Decatur; Michael Roland of Decatur and Tracy Kilpatrick of Union, surgical technology; and Bretina Latiker of Carthage, "Technical Student of the Year."

Duncan of Philadelphia, Delta Kappa Gamma; Susan Staton of Union, Spanish; Erica Pike Flake of Carthage, Associate Degree Nursing Outstanding Achievement (First Year); Denise Willis of Collinsville, ADN Outstanding Achievement (Second year);

Ken Russell of Decatur, Anthony Coleman Men's Basketball; and Ginger Moore of Noxapater, Walter Arno Vincent Award for Academic Excellence in Athletics.

ALUMNI MEMORIAL AWARDS

Students receiving Alumni Memorial Awards included Brock Lillis of Philadelphia, Billy Wayne Baucum Secondary Education; Crystal Gee of Carthage, Opal McMullan Dickinson Elementary Education; Robert Evans of Brandon, W.A. Coursey, Jr., Engineering; Cody Fisher of Conehatta, Danny R. Killens Engineering;

Joan Mulford of Union, Sara Carr Deaton Business Technology; Neil Hansford of Decatur, Jack B. Mayo Phi Theta Kappa; Veronica Haynes of Louisville, Leon Eubanks Kaljc-Peers; Lori Darsey of Hickory, Sue Yarbrough Fulgham Speech; Jonathan Mills of Philadelphia, William S. Griffin Men's Intramural; Brad Creel, Dr. Edwin Miller Medical Services;

Ray Waddell, Howard Sessums Men's Basketball, and Brock Lillis, Andrew F. Webb Football, Both of Philadelphia; Quintina Edwards of Whistler, Alabama, Earline Wood Women's Basketball; and Jennifer Pace of Decatur, Kathy Chase English.

Shelley McKinley, both of Forest; Christina Pearce and Jennifer Pace, both of Decatur, Betina Latiker of Carthage and Uwe Dotzauer of Landau, Germany.

Recipients of Leadership scholarships to attend Mississippi State University include Stephanie Bugg of Lawrence, Corrine Chambliss, Angela Dempsey, Clifford Gregory, Laura Ming, Katie Stokes and Natalie Vowell, all of Louisville;

Danna Dye and Amanda Keeton, both of Morton; Cody Fisher of Conehatta; Donnie Fletcher, Margaret Greer, Linzy Gressett, Jonathan Grice, Lisa Price, Donna Tucker and Christy Wooten, all of Carthage; Christopher Fuller and Scicile Wilkerson, both of Pulaski;

Neil Hansford of Decatur; Amanda McMillan of Forest, Amanda Miles of Union, Jonathan Mills, Bobby Morrow and Wendy Tullos, all of Philadelphia; Erik Perozo of Lake, Vanessa Sanders of Anchorage, Alaska; Ronnie Thrash and Gregory Willis, both of Newton; and Courtney Wilcher of Edinburg.

Delta State University presented Leadership scholarships to Alicia Jordan of Walnut Grove, Natalie Vowell, Amy Rogers, Laura Ming and Corrine Chambliss, all of Louisville; Ginger Moore and Laneezer Carter, both of Noxapater; Courtney Wilcher of Edinburg and Joy Johnson of Forest.

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SPECIAL AWARDS

Students receiving Special Awards included Neil Hansford of Decatur, citizenship; Tami Phillips of Union, The Tom-Tom college newspaper award; Vanessa Sanders of Anchorage, Alaska, Wo-He-Lo yearbook award; Chas Evans of Chunky, ECCC Players; Joseph Tucker and Amanda McMillan, both of Forest, ECCC Singers;

Kimberly Patrick of Union, Sharonda Triplett of Louisville and David Daniel of Tuscaloosa, Ala., ECCC Gospel Choir; Amy Arthur of Union, L.B. Simmons History Award; Jennifer Alford of Philadelphia, Philadelphia/Neshoba County Arts Council Scholarship;

Donna Tucker of Carthage, Ruth Carr-Vincent Award for Academic Excellence in Non-Traditional Education; Ashley McDill of Decatur, Kappa Kappa Iota; Graig McRae of Carthage, Don Nance of Philadelphia, Laura Shows of Lena, Chris Weems of Newton and Cody Fisher of Conehatta, mathematics;

Scicile Wilkerson of Pulaski, S. Lebrun Hutchinson Engineering Award; Craig McRae, Margaret Mosal Award for Leadership; Benita Atkinson of Carthage, Patricia Hathorn of Louisville, Latoya Loper of Forest and Malinda Melton of Newton, Mississippi Business Education; Brandi

FACULTY MEMORIAL AWARDS

Students receiving Faculty Memorial Awards included Ginger Moore of Noxapater, J. Wallace Bedwell Business; Don Nance and Robin Zieminick, both of Philadelphia, Frank M. Cross Freshman Chemistry; Justin Sharp of Harperville, Robert G. Fick Memorial; Stephanie Evans, Frank Edwin and Nina Holt Leatherwood Biological Science, and Chris Weems, J. Andy Miller Freshman engineering, both of Newton;

Rosemary McArthur of Louisville, Charles E. Pennington Business Technology; and Shimeka Henson of Carthage, General William Patrick Wilson General Academic.

TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIPS

Jennifer Alford of Philadelphia received a McDevitt Scholarship to attend Mississippi University for Women and Philip Smith, also of Philadelphia, received the University of Southern Mississippi Eddie M. Smith Presidential Scholarship.

Other students receiving Leadership scholarships to USM included Candice Butler of Morton, Jessica Wright and Ronit Frey and Leslie Miller, both of Louisville, and Cindy Hornesbuger of Noxapater received Leadership scholarships to attend the University of West Alabama.

The University of Mississippi presented Leadership scholarships to Ragan Mitchell, Andrea Robertson and Mandy Burt, all of Philadelphia; Brad Creel of Meridian, Danna Dye of Morton, Laura Faulk and Heather Moody, both of Louisville; and Jade Parkes of Decatur.

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'Special' winners

Above are East Central Community College students who received "special" honors at the College's annual "Awards Day' program held recently on the Decatur campus. Honorees include (seated, from left) Craig McRae, Carthage; Don Nance, Philadelphia; Laura Shows, Lena; Chris Weems, Newton; and Cody Fisher, Conehatta, mathematics; Scicile Wilkerson, Pulaski, S. Lebrun Hutchinson; and Benita Atkinson, Carthage, Mississippi Business Education Association (MBEA) Student Award; and (standing, from left) Patricia Hathorn, Louisville, Latoya Loper, Forest, and Malinda Melton, Newton, MBEA Student Awards; Jade Parkes, Decatur, secondary education; Susan Staton, Union, Spanish; Erica Pike Flake, Carthage, Associate Degree Nursing Outstanding Achievement (First Year); Denise Willis, Collinsville, ADN Outstanding Achievement (Second Year); Ken Russell, Anthony Coleman Men's Basketball; and Ginger Moore, Noxapater, Walter Arno Vincent Award for Academic Excellence in Athletics.

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ECCC Announces Spring Semester Honor Roll

Students named to the 1999 spring semester honor roll, including the President's List, Dean's List and Honorable Mention List, have been announced at East Central Community College in Decatur, according to Raymond McMullan, Director of Admissions, Records and Research.

Those listed on the President's List with a 4.0 grade point average include the following students from Scott County:

Jamieshia Nicole Hawkins, Latoya Yenette Loper, Charlie Lance Noel, Virginia Lynn Rigby, Jo An McCraw Shelley, and Tommie Lee Wells, all of Forest; Cassie Houser Hollingsworth, Alicia Jenkins, Benjamin Lee Martin and Latonya Michelle Pinkston, all of Lake; Elizabeth Shows, Lena; Edd H. Porter, Morton; and Timothy Wayne Boles and Jo Ellen Ladner Comans, both of Walnut Grove.

The Dean's List includes the following students from Scott County with a 3.5 or above grade point average:

Shannon Bagley, Malcolm Patrick Banks, Cynthia Lowe Bates, April L. Blackledge, Brenda Lee Carr, Joshua Lee Eure, Blake Everett, Jeannie Thrasher Hannah, Sharon Robinson Hoye, Tracy Nicole Latham, Amanda Diane McMillan, Jamie L. Miller, Jeffrey Stephen Monk, Connie Tew, Christopher Thompson and Judy Ann Thompson, all of Forest; Justin Edward Sharp, Harperville; Alexander Ardene Moore, Jana Nicole Nester and Demetrick D. Towner, all of Lake; Francis Emmalene Brown, Amanda Sue Keeton, Terry Huellen Nutt and Stephen N. Pace, all of Morton; Christopher R. Fuller, Pulaski; and Christopher Lathem, Walnut Grove.

The following students from Scott County were named to the Honorable Mention List and earned a 3.0 or above grade point average:

Lewie Ickom Beamon, Jennifer Blair Bounds, April C. Bowie, Jeffrey Wallace Brown, James R. Brunson, Courtney Paige Cooper, Becky Kittrell Harrell, Misti Leigh Harrell, Tena Lanae Henry, Joy Carrie Johnson, Paule Maria Johnson, Stephanie Sheral Lindsey, Shelly Fay McKinley, Demone Murrell, Donna Forsythe Reiss, Evelyn D. Robinson, Angela Sharlene Rushing, Michael Berton Sharp, Louis S. Sharp, Lance Marquain Sigrest, Shalene Walker, April Maire Wallace, Ryan Donta Watkins, Stephanie G. Westbrook, Tena Lynn Wiggins, Ashley Gail Williams and Jessica Elizabeth Wright, all of Forest; Paula E. Pinter, Harperville; Bradford David Walley, Hillsboro; Dewey Wayne Boles, Jeffrey Gladney, Carlow J. Jenkins, Kendra L. Morgan and Erik L. Perozo, all of Lake; Patricia Carries-Mac Antone, Lena; Kelly Jamison Bates, Marshal Duncan Beard, Alisha Black Bennett, Candice M. Butler, Danna Marie Dye, LaWanda Nicole Ealy, Marcus W. Frith, Justin William Rogers and Paul Daniel Smith, all of Morton; Santrea Shaum Buckner, Pelahatchie; Justin Garrett Beatty, Richard Carl Boozer and Scicile Dawn Wilkerson, all of Pulaski; Georgia Lachae Barrett and Michael Brent Madden, both of Sebastopol.

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State HOSA winners

These East Central Community College licensed practical nursing students received honors at the annual state HOSA (Health Occupation Students of America) competition. Students receiving first, second and third place honors and those placing in the National Healthcare Issues Exam will advance to the national competition June 23-27 in Nashville, Tennessee. Pictured are (seated, from left) Rhonda Smith, Decatur, first place in gerontology; Wendy Cheatham, Philadelphia, fifth, pathophysiology; and Van Goss, Louisville, second, nursing assistant; standing, from left) Ashley Alexander, Lena, first, nutrition; Francine Gray, Lake, fifth, gerontology; Sandra Colyer, Morton, fourth, nutrition; and Angelia Warnsley, Morton, third, extemporaneous speaking.

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Get DSU scholarships

These East Central Community College sophomores were presented transfer scholarships to Delta State University, which were presented at the annual Awards Day program held on the Decatur campus. Pictured are (seated, from left) Alicia Jordan, Walnut Grove; Natalie Vowell and Amy Rogers, both of Louisville; and Ginger Moore of Noxapater; and (standing, from left) Laura Ming and Corrine Chambliss, both of Louisville; Courtney Wilcher, Edinburg; Laneezer Carter, Noxapater; Joy Johnson, Forest; and DSU Academic Counselor Lajan Palmer.

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ECCC ADN Graduates....East Central Community College in Decatur recently held pinning ceremonies for the College's Associate Degree Nursing graduates. Those receiving pins included (first row, from left) Candice Beason of Philadelphia, Alisha Bennett of Morton, Christy Gross of Union, Shea Trapp and Christy Williamson, both of Philadelphia; and Denise Willis of Collinsville; (second row, from left) Tammy Bradley of Philadelphia, Kim Williams of Decatur, Michelle Robertson of Louisville, Sharon Nix of Newton and Angela Patterson of Union; (third row, from left) Becky Harrell of Forest, Melanie Harris of Decatur, Jobeth Andreacchio of Meridian and Ellen Null of Louisville; and (back row, from left) Melanie King, Beverly Moody and Kellie Goss, all of Philadelphia; Tammy Rademacher of Louisville and Mary Warren of Philadelphia. For more information contact the Associate Degree Nursing faculty at ECCC, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, Ph. 635-2111, ext. 294, or toll free 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222). (EC Photo)

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NJCAA Academic All-Americans

These six student-athletes at East Central Community College were named National Junior College Athletic Association Academic All-Americans for the 1998-99 term. Recipients of the prestigious honor must have participated in one or more sports recognized by the NJCAA. Academic All-Americans must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.6 or better on a 4.0 scale, while Distinguished Academic All-Americans must have earned a 3.8 GPA or above. Students receiving either honor are required to complete at least 45 semester hours or 60 quarter hours. Honorees and their respective sports areas are, seated from left, Lisa Chesney of Little Rock (tennis) and Ragan Mitchell of Philadelphia (softball); standing are Linzy Gressett of Carthage (baseball), Bo Burkes of Neshoba Central (baseball), Dennis McDill of Leake Academy (baseball), and Ginger Moore of Noxapater (softball). Mitchell and Moore were named on the Distinguished list. The group will be featured in *Juco Review*, the official NJCAA publication.

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ECCC GRADUATE SELECTED FOR RESEARCH PROJECT

Brad Creel

While most college students are currently taking a break from their studies, Brad Creel, a 1999 honor graduate of East Central Community College in Decatur, is spending his summer hitting the books - in New York City!

Creel, who posted a perfect 4.0 grade point average both years at East Central, is one of only nine students selected nationwide to participate in a summer research project offered at City College of New York. Most of Creel's time will be spent doing biochemical research at the prestigious institution, a branch of New York University.

The Lake High School graduate said he is "very honored" to have been chosen to participate in the research project.

"Naturally, I'm very excited about spending the summer in New York City, but also pleased to be doing research with some of the top students in the nation,"

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Creel said.

Ron Davis, Chairman of the Science Division and biology instructor at ECCC, said Creel's selection for the project is a big opportunity for him and a great honor for East Central.

"We are very proud of Brad and pleased he has succeeded in his goal to get selected for the trip! Being part of such a project will definitely be of great benefit to him and will no doubt expand his horizons," Davis said.

When Creel returns from the 10-week, all expenses paid trip, he plans to continue his major in chemistry at the University of Mississippi.

He is the son of Brenda and Randall Creel of Meridian.

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EC claims awards in CPRAM competition

Various honors were presented to the East Central Community College Public Relations Department following competition in the annual College Public Relations Association of Mississippi (CPRAM) print and electronic media contest. Award winners were announced at the annual conference held in Biloxi.

In the Institutional Magazine category, East Central received first place honors for its alumni publication, "The Warrior."

ECCC won second place honors in the Newsletter category for the "EC Express," a newsletter mailed to all high school juniors and seniors in the district. The ECCC recruiting brochure also took second place honors and the ECCC Bank Statement Insert captured third place in the Admissions and Recruitment Piece Competition.

Director of Public Information Bubby Johnston captured a second place award for his news story "ECCC Nursing Student Helps Save Teenager's Life" and was a third place winner in the same category for "ECCC Athletic Hall of Fame."

All 15 Mississippi community and junior colleges are eligible to complete in the competition.

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ECCC VOCATIONAL AWARD RECIPIENTS - These students received vocational honors at the College's annual Awards Day program held on the Decatur campus. Honorees include (fromleft) Eric Rush, cabinetmaking, and Rody Willis, carpentry, both of Philadelphia; Regina Buckley of Little Rock and Viola Dade of Hickory, cosmetology; Aaron Dale Burkeen of Philadelphia, welding and cutting; and Tracy Warren of Conehatta, licensed practical nursing and "Vocational Student of the Year." (EC Photo)

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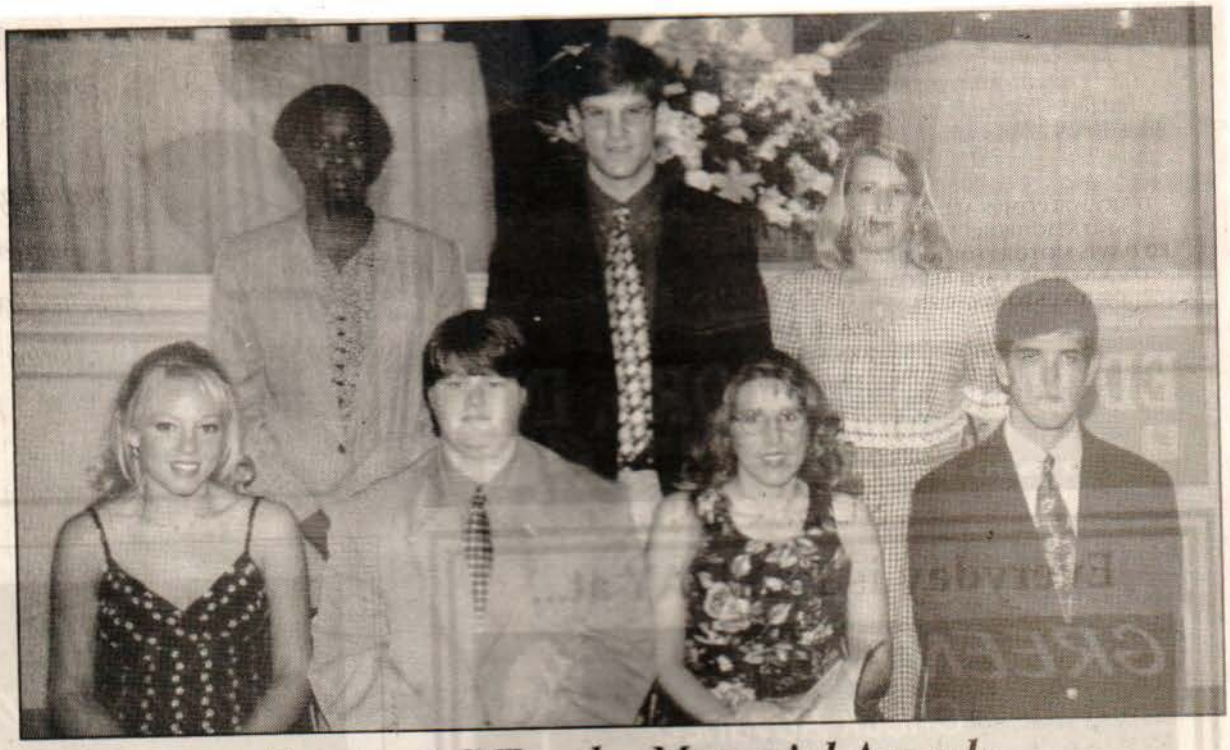

Receive EC Faculty Memorial Awards

These East Central Community College students received Faculty Memorial Awards at the College's annual Awards Day program held recently on the Decatur campus. Honorees include (seated, from left) Ginger Moore of Noxapater, J. Wallace Bedwell Business; Don Nance and Robin Zieminick, both of Philadelphia, Frank M. Cross Freshman Chemistry; and Justin Sharp of Harperville, Robert G. Fick Memorial; and (standing, from left) Stephanie Evans, Frank Edwin and Nena Holt Leatherwood Biology, and Chris Weems, J. Andy Miller Freshman Engineering, both of Newton; and Rosemary McArthur of Louisville, Charles E. Pennington Business Technology. Not pictured is Shimeka Henson of Carthage, General William Patrick Wilson General Academic. (EC Photo)

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ECCC honor roll

Students named to the 1999 spring semester honor roll, including the President's List, Dean's List and Honorable Mention List, have been announced at East Central Community College in Decatur.

Those listed on the President's List with a 4.0 grade point average include the following: Bradley Keaton Addkison, Angela Pritchett Dempsey, Patricia Eiland Hathorn, Alisha Lavelle Martin, Rosemary McArthur, Amy Isonhood Morehead and Jackie Yarbrough of Louisville; and Sharon Roark Boyette, Janita Hornesbuger, Kendall Deon Hoskin, Ginger Carol Moore and Beverly Reynolds of Noxapater.

The Dean's list includes the following students with a 3.5 or above grade point average: Sandra Corrin Chambliss, Brandi Leigh Crowell, Cassandra Eaves, Clifford Brad Gregory, Derek L. Hopkins, Angela Nicole Jayroe, Johnna McLain Levin, Wendy LIngle, Phillip Scott Livingston, Heather Kathleen Moody, Stefanie Carter Moody, Jason Wayne Morehead, Amanda Hancock Murphy, Lucas Bradley Nowell, Willie Harris Perry, Melissa A. Reed, Wanda Hamilton Roark, Jeremy Dewayne Rushing, Tiffany Laurice Smith, Virgina Kathrine Stokes, Joseph Triplett, Nelson Triplett, Jr., Jeremy Dewayne Woods and Jana Wylie of Louisville and J. Tracy Goodin, Randall A. Orr, John Chester Wilkes and Rosie Mae Williams of Noxapater.

The following students were named to the Honorable Mention List and earned a 3.0 or above grade point average:

Jason Keith Allen, Joann Miller Baity, Angela Smith Burns, Wesley Albert Coleman, Ronit Nicole Frey, Bessie Wells Goss, Amisha La'Shona Hannah, Veronica Monique Haynes, Amy Leigh Herrington, Joshua Lee Hoening, Cynthia Cooper Hoskins, Samuel Knight, Felix Savalis Loving, Adam R. Lowrey, Joseph Lowrey, Misty Mind McDaniel, Laura Leigh Ming, Todd David Mullins, Jerry Kelly Nance, Jeremy Clifton Nowell, Ellen Peters Null, Terri Nicole Peden, Scott R. Popec, Anthony Scott Prior, Peggy Suzanne Quinn, Tammy Robinson Rademacher, Michelle C. Robertson, Amy Elizabeth Rogers, Shawn Smith, Brigette Nicole Sullivan, Leah Michelle Vernon and Natalie Dawn Vowell of Louisville; Barry Kent Edwards, Gwendolyn Edwards, Mary Moore Lynch, Brent McAdory, Rita Carletta Nunn and Kimberly Dawn Young of Noxapater.

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RECEIVES PACE SCHOLARSHIP - Newton High School graduate Melanie Robinson (second from right) is the 1999 recipient of the Polk and Jennie Pace Scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. The outstanding student is shown receiving the award from family representatives Reba (Pace) DeBari and her husband, Gerald DeBari. Also pictured is the scholarship recipient's father, Kenneth Robinson (right). The presentation was made at the College's annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon held on the Decatur campus. (EC photo)

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RECEIVES UNION PLANTERS SCHOLARSHIP - Five outstanding area students were recently presented a Union Planters Bank Scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. Pictured are (from left) Kenneth Jones, president of the banking system's Decatur branch; award recipients Khristan Burton of Neshoba Central, Jessica Brown of Carthage, Sarah Johnson of Newton, Wendy Williamson of Scott Central and Brandi Stone of Edinburg; and Leon Harris, president of the Newton Branch of Union Planters. the presentations were made at the College's annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon held onthe Decatur campus. (EC photo)

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RECEIVES CLAYTON BLOUNT SCHOLARSHIP... Newton County Academy graduate Matthew Roebuck is the 1999 recipient of the Clayton Blount Memorial Scholarship to attend East Central Community College. The outstanding student is shown receiving the award from ECCC Dean of Students Randall E. Lee. The presentation was made at the College's annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon held on the Decatur campus. (EC Photo)

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Roland lands scholarship

Rachel Roland, a 1999 graduate of Leake Academy is this year's recipient of the Citizens Bank of Philadelphia Scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. The outstanding student is shown receiving the award from bank official Erdis Chaney. Also pictured is the recipient's mother, Jennie Roland.

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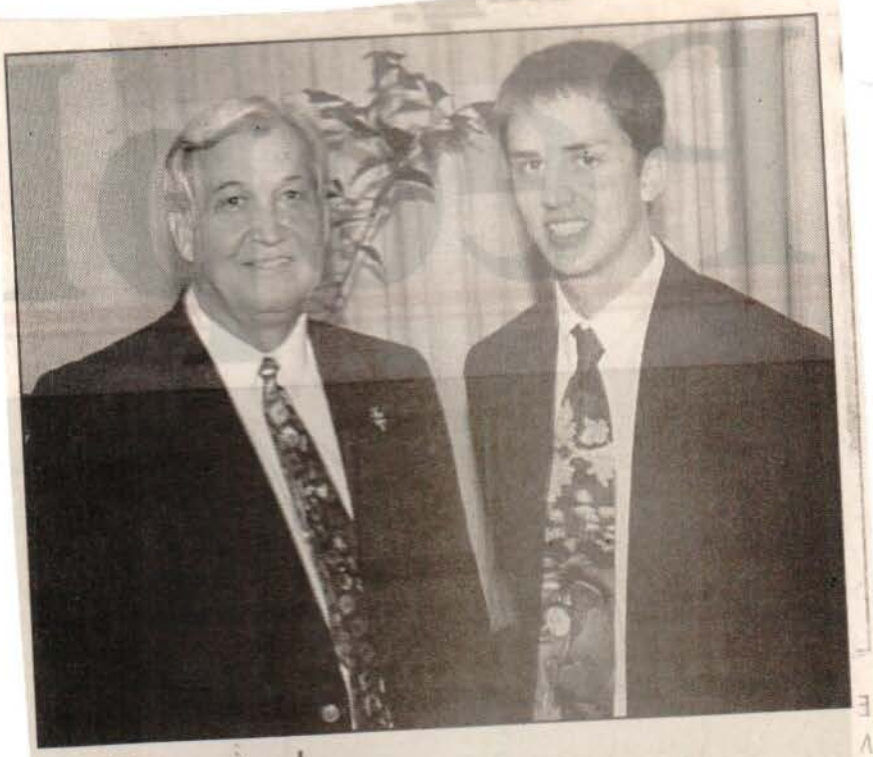

McRae cited

Craig McRae (right) of Carthage was recently presented the Dr. Margaret Mosal Memorial Scholarship for Leadership to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. The outstanding student is shown receiving the award from retired ECCC Mathematics Division Chairman Dr. Shelby Harris who provided funding to help establish the annual award.

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MHS STUDENT RECEIVES BOGGAN SCHOLARSHIP

Wendy Huff, a 1999 graduate of Morton High School, is the recipient of the Dr. Austin P. Boggan Scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. The outstanding student is shown receiving the award from ECCC Dean of Students Randall E. Lee. The presentation was made at the College's annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon held on the Decatur campus. (EC Photo)

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RECEIVES BREAZEALE SCHOLARSHIP - Newton County High School graduate Justin K. Chaney is the 1999 recipient of the Paul V. and Voncile H. Breazeale Ministerial Scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. The outstanding student is shown receiving the award from Paul and Voncile Breazeale. The presentation was made at the College's annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon held on the Decatur campus. (EC Photo)

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EC Board scholarship

South Leake High School graduate Leanne Bryan is the recipient of the first annual Board of Trustees Scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. This scholarship was established in the spring of 1999 by the ECCC Board of trustees. The tuition scholarship is awarded annually to a student from one to five counties in the district on a rotating basis. The scholarship is funded by donations from the College's 30-member Board of Trustees. The outstanding student is shown receiving the award from ECCC Board of Trustees Chairman Prentice Copeland of Philadelphia. Also pictured is the recipient's mother, Sylvia Kittrell.

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RECEIVES LA-Z-BOY SCHOLARSHIP - Newton County High School graduate Kristy Haygood is a 1999 recipient of the La-Z-Boy South Scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. The outstanding student is shown receiving the award from company officials Chris Harris (left) and Earl Bryan. the presentation was made at the College's annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon held on the Decatur campus. (EC Photo)

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ECCC TO HONOR GED GRADUATES

A high school education will become a reality for approximately 40 adult students who will receive their GED (General Education Development) certificates at the annual commencement program scheduled Monday, June 21 at East Central Community College in Decatur. The special ceremony begins at 7 p.m. in Huff Auditorium.

Among those participating in the program include Dr. Eddie M. Smith, College president, who will award diplomas in addition to providing the welcome and other remarks; Dr. Phil Simpson, dean of instruction, who will present candidates for graduation; Sandy Comans, invocation; Wayne Comans, soloist; and Edward McGowan, benediction. Providing special remarks will be graduates Evelyn Lowell, Louise Killens, Patricia Williams, Joaquin Moore and Pat Robertson.

Candidates for graduation include the following:

Newton County: Melody Marie Dewitt; Carl Luke; Quinton Sellers and Timmie Talbert, all of Little Rock; Roderick Evans, Hickory; Denise Hutchins, Jerry Johnson and Annie Murray, all of Decatur; Rachel Evans, Louise Killens and Ricky McCraw, all of Union; Evelyn Lowell, Anna Renfrow, Jonathan Rowzee, Tiffany Sharp and Patricia Williams, all of Newton; and Helen Pickens, Lawrence.

Scott County: Corey Cox, Lake; Tra Fletcher and Catherine Kyzar, both of Forest; and Brenda Griffin and Stella Ann Taylor, both of Morton.

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Receives M&F Bank scholarship

Haley Ingram, fourth from left, a 1999 graduate of Philadelphia High School, and Johnny Cook, second from right, a 1999 graduate of Neshoba Central High School, are recipients of the Merchants and Farmers Bank of Philadelphia Scholarships to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. The outstanding students are shown receiving the award from bank officials, from left, Bob Posey, Guy Nowell and Richard Wilson. Also pictured are the scholarship recipients' mothers, Debbie Ingram, third from right, and Peggy Cook, right. The presentation was made at the College's annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon held on the Decatur campus.

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Jones receives Bank of Fores Scholarship

Ashley Jones, a 1999 gra of Forest High School, was re presented the annual Ba Forest Scholarship to attenc Central Community Colle Decatur. The outstanding st is shown receiving the awarc bank president Allen Breland Also pictured are the scho recipients parents Mary and Jones. The presentation was at the College's annual Scho Awards Luncheon held o Decatur campus.

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Receive USM transfer scholarships

These East Central Community College sophomores received transfer scholarships to the University of Southern Mississippi. Scholarships were presented at the annual ECCC Awards Day program held on the Decatur campus. Pictured are (seated, from left) Candice Butler of Morton, Jessica Wright of Forest, Christina Pearce of Decatur, and Uwe Dotzauer of Landau, Germany; and (standing, from left) Jennifer Pace of Decatur, Shelley McKinley of Forest, Philip Smith of Philadelphia, Betina Latiker of Carthage, and USM Admissions Counselor Jennifer Gressett. Smith also received the USM Eddie M. Smith Presidential Scholarship. (EC Photo)

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Honors orientation

These area students participated in the annual East Central Community College Honors Orientation held Thursday, June 10, on the Decatur campus. Pictured are (from left) Dustin Renfroe of Leake Academy, Kelli Harris and Natalie Boggan, both of Newton County; and Jess May of Leake Academy. During orientation, students advance register for fall classes and learn of the many academic, social and personal opportunities available at East Central. Additional sessions will be held Thursday, July 8; Wednesday, July 21; and Saturday, August 7. Fall day classes begin Monday, August 16. For more information contact the Dean of Students' Office, ECCC, Decatur, MS 39327, Ph. 635-2111, ext. 204, or toll free 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222).

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Record number of students enrolled at ECCC in Decatur

A record 638 students enrolled in the first term of summer classes offered at East Central Community College in Decatur, announced Raymond McMullan, director of admissions, records and research.

East Central offers summer classes on the Decatur campus and at various locations throughout the college's district, which includes Leake, Neshoba, Newton, Scott and Winston counties.

Registration for the second four-week term on the Decatur campus will be held at 9 a.m. Tuesday, July 6 in Newton Hall, room 60. Classes begin Wednesday, July 7.

Registration for the second four-week terms at the Louisville/Winston County Vo-Tech Center and Philadelphia-Neshoba County Vo-Tech Center will also be held on Tuesday, July 6. In Louisville, registration begins at 9 a.m. with sign-up for classes in Philadelphia scheduled at 6:30 p.m. Classes begin the following day.

For more information contact the Office of Adult and Continuing Education, East Central Community College, P. O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, phone 635-2111, extensions 278 and 279, or call toll free, 1-877-462-3222 extensions 278 or 279.

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Area students attend ECCC honors orientation June 19

Numerous students from Neshoba County attended orientation activities held June 19 at East Central Community College in Decatur.

During orientation, students advance register for fall classes and learn of a wide variety of academic, social and personal opportunities available on the Decatur campus.

Participants included Sheila Baysinger, Jessica Beckham, Joseph Bell, Lekeisha Burnside, Chad Clemons, Rinada Cole, Derek Cumberland, John Cutrer, Jill Dansby, Stephanie Davis, Brandy Drake, Laurie Fulton, Demetric Gray, Kellis Greer, Romale Griffin, Bobby Hall, Kimberly Hardy, Natasha Hardy, Demarius Harris, Lindsey Hatcher, Brad Hillman, Charles Hodgins, Paul Houston, Jarrod Johnson, Mistie Lindsey, Erin McDaniel, Christopher Mills, Kaski Moore, Kizzie Morgan, Russ Owens, Rita Patel, Charity Peebles, Annie Peebles, Heather Posey, Justin Proctor, Jason Richardson, Kevin Ryals, Emily Spears, Misty Stevens, Tracy Sullivan, Kristian Watkins, Christopher Webb and Willis Allen, all of Philadelphia.

Additional orientation sessions are scheduled Thursday, July 8; Wednesday, July 21; and Saturday, Aug. 7.

Fall day classes begin Monday, Aug. 16.

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STUDENTS ATTEND HONORS ORIENTATION

East Central Community College physical education/education instructor Lucille Wood is shown assisting Morton High School graduate McKenzie Mack (center) and Louisville High School graduate Justin Reed with their fall semester class schedules during Honors Orientation activities held Thursday, June 10, on the Decatur campus. In addition to registering for fall classes, students who attend orientation learn of the many academic, social and person opportunities available at East Central. Other participants from Scott County that attended Orientation activities June 19 were as follows: William Black, Clint Burkes, Rebecca Burkes, Tia Fletcher, Erica Foreman, Jonathan Harrell, Victoria Hayes, Nathan Johnson, Jamie Jones, Ashley Keys, Otha Lay, Stephanie Lindsey, Meosha Loper, Jason Moore, Tina Pace, Tina Patel, William Perkins, Pamela Perkins, Tonya Pickens, Josh Tillman, Corey Turner, Dacia Wash, Frazier Wash and Jessica Weeks, all of Forest; Curtis Bradford of Harperville; Jason Bradshaw of Hillsboro; Miranda Davis, Latonya Gray, April Harris, Thomas Laird, Tresia Lee, Jessica Monk and Lora Warren, all of Lake; Lamarrio Mapp of Ludlow; Jessica Bradshaw, Ashli Craig, Peggie Denson, Amber Gibson, Samantha Goss, George McMillian, Tammy Munn and Lacey Stokely, all of Morton; and Jennifer Moss and Leslie Risher, both of Pulaski. Additional orientation sessions are scheduled for Thursday, July 8; Wednesday, July 21; and Saturday, August 7. Fall day classes begin Monday, August 16. For more information contact the Dean of Students' Office, ECCC, Decatur, MS 39327, Ph. 635-2111, ext. 204, or call toll free 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222). (EC Photo)

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EC orientation

East Central Community College speech instructor Juanita West is shown assisting Carthage High School graduate Nick Agent (center) and Carthage Christian Academy graduate Ramona Corkern with their fall semester class schedules during Honors Orientation activities held Thursday, June 10, on the Decatur campus. In addition to registering for fall classes, students who attend orientation learn of the many academic, social and personal opportunities available at East Central. Additional sessions will be held Thursday, July 8; Wednesday, July 21; and Saturday, August 7. Fall day classes begin Monday, August 16. For more information contact the Dean of Students' Office, ECCC, Decatur, MS 39327, Ph. 635-2111, ext. 204, or call toll free 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222).

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Receives Hitt scholarship

Neshoba Central High School graduate Nicole Nicholson is the 1999 recipient of the Tracy and Annie Reid Hitt Scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. The outstanding student is shown receiving the award from ECCC Dean of Students Randall E. Lee. Also pictured is the recipient's mother, Debra Nicholson. The presentation was made at the College's annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon held on the Decatur campus.

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RECEIVES LA-Z-BOY SCHOLARSHIP-Kristen Cleveland (right), a 1999 graduate of Newton County High School, is the recipient of a La-Z-Boy South Scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. The outstanding student is shown receiving the award from company official Chris Harris. (EC Photo)

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The Neshoba Democrat, Philadelphia, Miss., June 30, 1999, 9B

Receives Citizens Bank scholarship

Rachel Roland, a 1999 graduate of Leake Academy is this year's recipient of the Citizens Bank of Philadelphia Scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. The outstanding student is shown receiving the award from bank official Erdis Chaney. Also pictured is the recipient's mother, Jennie Roland. The presentation was made at the College's annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon held on the Decatur campus.

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Mitchell to receive two scholarships to Ole Miss

Regan Denise Mitchell of Philadelphia was selected to receive two scholarships totaling $3,800 to attend The University of Mississippi this fall.

Mitchell won a $1,000 Community College Leadership Scholarship for her first year at Ole Miss and a $2,800 Phi Theta Kappa Academic Excellence Scholarship for her first and second years at the university in recognition of her academic achievements at East Central Community College and her leadership activities on campus and in the community at large.

To be eligible for the scholarships, Mitchell, a graduate of Nanih Waiya High School, earned a grade-point average of at least 3.5 for 54 hours of college coursework and demonstrated exemplary leadership and service to her community. The daughter of Ms. Robin Gregory of Philadelphia received an associates degree in pre-pharmacy degree from East Central Community College and enters Ole Miss this fall as a junior.

Mitchell was a member of Phi Theta Kappa, the most prestigious honor society at the two-year college level, as well as Mu Alpha Theta honor society, Who's Who Among American Community and Junior College Students, Warrior Corps, *The Tom Tom* newspaper staff, Students Against Drunk Driving and the varsity softball team. Mitchell has been named an All American Scholar, winner of the United States Government Achievement Award, Miss ECCC and vice president of the ECCC Student Body Association.

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Receives Thomas scholarship

Judson Nowell, second from left, a 1999 graduate of Philadelphia High School is the recipient of the Charles and Judy Dowdle Thomas Scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. The outstanding student is shown receiving the award from Mrs. Thomas. Also pictured are the scholarship recipient's parents LoLo and Guy Nowell. The presentation was made at the College's annual Scholarsship Awards Luncheon held on the Decatur campus.

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The Neshoba Democrat, Philadelphia, Miss., June 30, 1999, 3B

Myers scholarship recipients

Neshoba Central High School graduate Chris Webb (left) and Philadelphia High School graduate Jared Woodall (right) are the 1999 recipients of the Ben Myers Memorial Scholarships to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. Shown presenting the award is Myers mother, Jewell Parks of Philadelphia. The presentation was made at the College's annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon held on the Decatur campus.

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The Neshoba Democrat, Philadelphia, Miss., June 30, 1999, 9A

Receives Harris scholarship

Charles Walker of Forest, who will be a freshman in the associate degree nursing program at East Central Community College, is the recipient of the Nancy Hiett Harris Scholarship to attend ECCC. The scholarship was endowed in the fall of 1998 with a gift of $10,000 from an anonymous alumnus and was named in honor of Mrs. Harris who was the first director of the College's associate degree nursing program. While serving in that role, Mrs. Harris spearheaded the program's achievement of initial state and national accreditation. The outstanding student is shown receiving the award from Mrs. Harris. The presentation was made at the College's annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon held on the Decatur campus.

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Receives Dallas scholarship

Tony Alawine, center, a 1999 graduate of Neshoba Central High School, is the 1999 recipient of the Fred Preston and Maudie Threatt Dallas Memorial Scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. The oustanding student is shown receiving the award from family members (from left) W. Edwin Dallas and Winifred Davis. Also pictured are the recipient's parents Trena and Michael Alawine. The presentation was made at the College's annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon held on the Decatur campus.

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Five receive Union Planter Bank Scholarships

Five outstanding area students were recently presented a Union Planters Bank Scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. Pictured are (from left) Kenneth Jones, president of the banking system's Decatur branch; award recipients Khristan Burton of Neshoba Central, Jessica Brown of Carthage, Sarah Johnson of Newton, Wendy Williamson of Scott Central and Brandi Stohe of Edinburg; and Leon Harris, president of the Newton Branch of Union Planters. The presentations were made at the College's annual Scholarship Award Luncheon held on the Decatur campus.

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Killen receives Hannah Scholarship

Sebastopol High School graduate Becky Killen is the 1999 recipient of the R.O. and Bertha Hannah Scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. The outstanding student is shown receiving the award from Randall E. Lee, ECCC Dean of Students. Also pictured is the scholarship recipient's mother, Linda Killen. The presentation was made at the College's annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon held on the Decatur campus. The Hannah scholarship was established in 1991 by the Forest couple's four sons- Tom, Robert, Ray and Ted - all of whom attended East Central.

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Walker gets Harris Scholarship

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Huff is Boggan Scholarship recipient

Wendy Huff, a 1999 graduate of Morton High School, is the recipient of the Dr. Austin P. Boggan Scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. The outstanding student is shown receiving the award from ECCC Dean of Students Randall E. Lee. Also pictured is the recipient's mother, Sarah Huff. The presentation was made at the College's annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon held on the Decatur campus.

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RECEIVES BOARD OF TRUSTEES SCHOLARSHIP - South Leake High School graduate Leanne Bryan is the recipient of the first annual Board of Trustees Scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. This scholarship was established in the spring of 1999 by the ECCC Board of Trustees. The tuition scholarship is awarded annually to a student from one of the five counties in the district on a rotating basis. The scholarship is funded by donations from the College's 30-member Board of Trustees. The outstanding student is shown receiving the award from ECCC Board of Trustees Chairman Prentice Copeland of Philadelphia. Also pictured is the recipient's mother, Sylvia Kittrell. The presentation was made at the College's annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon held on the Decatur campus.

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Moss is recipient of Vowell Scholarship

Jennifer Moss of Forest was recently presented the annual Lavern Vowell Memorial Scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. The outstanding student is shown receiving the award from ECCC Dean of Students Randall E. Lee. Also pictured are the scholarship recipients parents Sheila and Mike Moss. The presentation was made at the College's annual Scholarship Award Luncheon held on the Decatur campus.

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Wash is Carr Scholarship recipient

Frazier Wash, a 1999 graduate of Forest High School, is this year's recipient of the Mable Moore Carr Scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. The outstanding student is shown receiving the award from Randall E. Lee, ECCC Dean of Students. Also pictured is the recipient's aunt, Faye Buckley. The presentation was made at the College's annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon held on the Decatur campus.

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WEEK OF 7/5/99

Receives Union Planters scholarship

Five outstanding area students were recently presented a Union Planters Bank Scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. From left are Kenneth Jones, president of the banking system's Decatur branch; award recipients Khristan Burton of Neshoba Central, Jessica Brown of Carthage, Sarah Johnson of Newton, Wendy Williamson of Scott Central and Brandi Stone of Edinburg; and Leon Harris, president of the Newton Branch of Union Planters. The presentations were made at the College's annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon held on the Decatur campus.

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WEEK OF Dec. 27, 1999

Named to 'Who's Who' among junior colleges

These Scott County students were recently chosen for Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges at East Central Community College. Students and their respective hometowns include (front row, from left) Jennifer Bounds, Tesa Henry and Connie Tew, all of Forest; and (back row, from left) Edd Porter and Huellen Nutt, both of Morton; Ginny Rigby, Forest; and Justin Sharp, Harperville. Students are selected for the prestigious publication on the basis of their academic achievement, service to the comunity, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success. They join an elite group of students from more than 1,800 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations.

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WEEK OF Dec. 13, 1999

Deadline for applying for ECCC nontraditional scholarships nears

Adult students interested in applying for nontraditional scholarships offered for the 2000 spring semester at East Central Community College in Decatur should complete the application process as soon as possible, reminds Randall E. Lee, Dean of Students.

Lee said tuition scholarships for nontraditional students are available to any qualified Mississippi resident 23 years of age or older, at the time of initial enrollment, who has never attended another college and enrolls full-time at East Central.

Applicants must also have earned between 12 and 21 hours at ECCC while maintaining at least a 3.0 grade point average.

The scholarship is available for three consecutive semesters following the first 12 semester hours earned either as a part-time or full-time ECCC student.

The deadline to apply for nontraditional scholarships as well as other scholarships offered for the 2000 spring term is Monday, Jan. 6.

Prospective adult students are also reminded of the College's "First Course Free" program, which allows those who qualify an opportunity to take their first college course free of charge.

For more information contact the Dean of Students Office, East Central Community College, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, Ph 635-2111, ext. 204 or call toll free, 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222) ext. 204.

• Buckley inks with MSU: East Central Community College sophomore pitcher Allen Buckley has signed a national letter of intent with Mississippi State.

As a freshman, Buckley was 6-6 with a 4.03 ERA.

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WEEK OF 12-1-99

Everybody loves a parade

George Clark/
The Meridian Star

DRUM ROLL, PLEASE – The East Central Community College drum corps, above, entertains the Decatur Christmas parade crowd with their routines.
At right, Sarah Smith and Joshua Williams toss candy as they ride the Bethany Pentecostal Church float in the Quitman Christmas parade.

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VIEW ECCC ARTWORK - Junior High and high school students in the Talented and Gifted program at Newton County High School recently visited East Central Community College to view the annual fall art exhibit. Among those participating were (from left) Matt Hedrick, Heather Cater and Jody Chaney. (EC Photo)

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MONCRIEF SIGNS SCHOLARSHIP - East Central Community College standout basketball player Tonya Moncrief of Newton recently signed a national letter of intent with the University of Illinois at Chicago. Moncrief, a 6'2" sophomore, averaged 14 points, nine rebounds and two blocked shots during the 1998-99 campaign and helped lead the Lady Warriors to a 22-5 record. This season, Moncrief is averaging 18 points, 11 rebounds and two blocked shots. The talented athlete is shown during the signing ceremony with her mother, Peggy Moncrief. (EC Photo.)

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WARRIOR CORPS OFFICERS - These East Central Community College students are serving as officers of the Warrior Corps, a select group of students who assist in recruiting and serve as hosts for various campus events. Pictured are (from left) William Savell of Lake, secretary/treasurer; Robyn Watts of Union, vice president; and Jon Martin of Philadelphia, president. Academic counselor Michael Alexander serves as advisor. (EC Photo)

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WEEK OF 11-29-99

ECCC Ac'cents

Members of the East Central Community College Ac'cents, the college's show choir, for the 1999-2000 term include (kneeling, from left) Melanie Atkinson of Jackson and Ginny Rigby of Forest; and (second row, from left) Amanda Stamper of Newton, D'Mytris Watkins of Forest and Lesli Bonner of Quitman; and (back row, from left) Chad Anderson of Union, Jamie White and Andy Chambers, both of Forest; and David Thorne and Jonathan Thorne, both of Hickory. The Ac'cents are available for performances at local schools and civic clubs. For more information contact Tony Kinton, director, at ECCC, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, Ph. 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), ext. 367. (EC Photo)

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Local students are named outstanding campus leaders

Fifty-one East Central Community College students have been selected as national outstanding campus leaders and will be recognized in the 2000 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges.

Students are selected for the prestigious publication on the basis on the basis of their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success. They join an elite group of students from more than 1,800 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations.

Area students include: Jennifer B. Bounds, Courtney P. Cooper, Tesa L. Henry, Ginny L. Rigby and Connie Tew, all of Forest; Huellen Nutt and Edd H. Porter, both of Morton; Robert W. Savell and William R. Savell, both of Lake; Justin Sharp of Harperville; Melissa R. Till of Pelahatchie and Betty R. Wilkerson of Lawrence.

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Leonard Barrier, left, and Chris Weems, ECCC's HEADWAE faculty member and student, respectively, for the 1999-2000 term.

Barrier, Weems selected ECCC HEADWAE honorees

East Central Community College faculty member Leonard Barrier of Philadelphia and sophomore Chris Weems of Newton are this year's recipients of the annual HEADWAE award which recognizes outstanding instructors and students representing the state's public and private colleges and universities.

Established in 1988, HEADWAE (Higher Education Appreciation Day Working Toward Academic Excellence) is a program of the Mississippi, sponsored by the state's corporate community, and coordinated by the Mississippi Association of Colleges.

The 2000 program is scheduled Feb. 15, and begins at the State Capitol at 10 a.m., followed by an awards luncheon at 11:45 a.m. in the Empire Room of the Ramada Inn.

Lieutenant Governor Ronnie Musgrove serves as chair of HEADWAE.

Barrier has taught English at East Central since 1989. He is also a published author and composer.

Barrier is a former president and vice president of the Mississippi Community College Creative Writing Association.

In addition, he is a member of New Zion United Pentecostal Church where he serves as pianist and church secretary.

He is also a former Sunday school teacher, youth leader and

Central.

A President's List scholar, he has received numerous honors, including the National Collegiate Engineering Award, mathematics award, Diamond Warrior Academic Award and J. Andy Miller Freshman Engineering Award. In addition, he was named an All-American Scholar and was recently selected to Who's Who Among Students in American Community and Junior Colleges.

He is a member of the Warrior football and baseball teams and serves as vice president of Alpha Alpha Epsilon, 'The Engineers," and is secretary treasurer of Mu Alpha Theta, an organization for students interested in mathematics.

A graduate of Newton High School, Weems is the son of Johnie Floyd Weems, Jr. and Dr. Angelia Weems of Newton.

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Former NFL Coach Rutigliano to speak on ECCC campus

Former National Football League head coach Sam Rutigliano will speak to the student body at East Central Community College during a special assembly program scheduled Tuesday, Dec. 7, on the Decatur campus. Rutigliano, who has guided the Liberty University football program since 1989, will begin his remarks at 10:45 a.m. in Huff Auditorium. The New York native is a 1951 graduate of Newton County Agricultural High School, then a part of East Central Junior College. Rutigliano was a standout member of the Warrior football and basketball teams prior to continuing his athletic career at the University of Tennessee, which won the national football championship in 1952.

Rutigliano began his coaching career on the high school level in New York City in 1956, and later served on the staffs at the University of Connecticut and University of Maryland. He entered the pro ranks in 1967, serving as an assistant at Denver, New England, New York Jets and New Orleans before being named head coach in Cleveland in 1978. During his tenure with the browns, Rutigliano was twice named AFC Coach of the Year by Untied Press International, and was selected NFL Coach of the Year in 1980 after leading Cleveland to an 11-5 record and the AFC Central Division title. He left the Browns during the 1984 season and became a color commentator for ESPN and NBC from 1985-1988.

Rutigliano was chosen head football coach at Liberty University in Lynchburg, Virginia, in 1989, where he is completing his 40th year in coaching.

In addition to his coaching career, Rutigliano has authored several publications, including the 1986 Pro Football Scouting Report, and his autobiography titled, Pressure.

He also remains in great demand as a speaker throughout the entire western world. He conducts coaching clinics as far away as Australia and Italy and is .in constant demand as a motivational speaker throughout the United States.

In recognition of Rutigliano's career as a successful coach and athlete, he was selected to the East Central Community College Athletic Hall of Fame for 1999 and was recognized during homecoming activities held in October. However, due to a scheduling conflict involving his Liberty University football team, Rutigliano was unable to attend the induction ceremony and was represented by his wife, Barbara, and daughter, Kerry Rutigliano.

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WEEK OF 11-22-99

Attend ECCC band reunion

Above are members of the Alumni Marching Band at East Central Community College who attended reunion activities held as part of the College's Homecoming '99 celebration. Standing from left are Tom Carson, Decatur; Richard Edwards, Hattiesburg; Jim Savell, Lake; Gary Moody, Walnut Grove; Jason Alford and Pamela Suzanne Atkinson, both of Philadelphia; Bill Simkins, Decatur; Richard Burton, Little Rock; Kathy Fitzhugh Allen, Lena; and Jared Brownlee, Meridian. The talented group also performed the Warrior fight song with concert members of the Warrior Wall O'Sound Marching Band during halftime ceremonies. For more information regarding alumni activities contact the Office of Development and Alumni Relations, East Central Community College, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, or call toll free 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), ext. 323. (EC Photo)

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Honor initiates

These East Central Community College students were recently welcomed as new members of Theta Xi Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society for the two-year college. Seated, from left, are Sherry Akins of Decatur, Heather Anderson of Philadelphia, Jessica Blan of Carthage, Mattie Brown of Meridian, Melissa Cooksey of Newton and Ti Garner of Brandon. Second row, from left, are Rebecca Rigdon of Union, Matt Stribling of Carthage, Dale Thornton of Bay Springs, Tommie Wells of Forest, Natasha Williams of Philadelphia, Rebecca Owen of Union and Courtney Rawson of Carthage. Third row, from left, Nick Hall of Philadelphia, Michael Johnson of Lake, Adam Mann and Jon Martin, both of Philadelphia; Josh Young of Carthage and Edd Porter of Morton. Not pictured are Melissa S. Pendergrass of Philadelphia and Jason Lamar Pierce of Union. Advisors are Ann Burkes, Carol Shackelford and Tonya M. Kirk.

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Rigby serves as EC President's Council officer

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Miss. community colleges after faculty salary boost

The Associated Press

BOONEVILLE — Educators and administrators of the state's 15 community and junior colleges say the most important part of a 2001 budget request will be an increase in salaries for faculty members.

Clyde Muse, chairman of the Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges Legislative Committee, said the $191.1 million 2001 proposed budget includes $15.7 million earmarked for salary raises and increases.

"The only way to provide quality teaching and learning is to have a quality faculty," Muse said last week during a regional legislative meeting at Itawamba Community College.

The $15.7 million salary increase will help keep community and junior college salaries at a midpoint range between universities and public schools, provide an annual one-step salary increment and a five percent salary increase for all employees, Muse said.

The proposed fiscal year 2001 budget is $50 million more than the fiscal year 2000 budget.

Other parts of the proposed budget include:

- Maintenance and upkeep of school facilities, $7.5 million
- Establishing 171 new positions for technology staffing, $2.4 million
- Establish a program to let community and junior colleges assist One-Stop Career centers, $1.7 million

MACJC is requesting $20.2 million for adequate funding of full-time students and $11.2 million in adequate funding for part-time vocational-technical funding.

Enrollment at the community and junior colleges for the fall 1998 term was 122,770.

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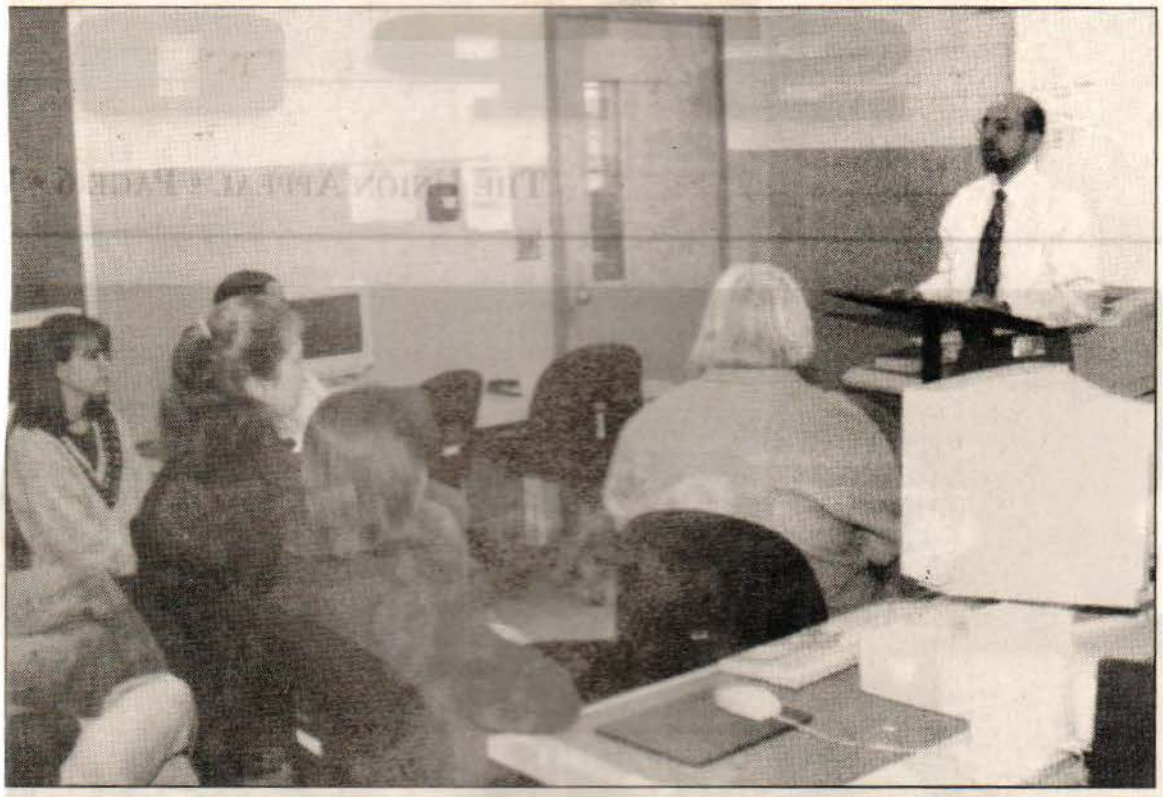

Rush Official Addresses ECCC Class....Gene Bond, clinic coordinator for Rush Health Systems in Meridian, is shown speaking recently to members of Elizabeth Breland's medical office concepts class at East Central Community College in Decatur. Bond, who has served in his current position for over two years, provided information regarding employment opportunities available in the medical field. Prior to joining the Rush team, Bond was employed in the investment insurance planning area. He holds a bachelor's degree in nursing from the University of Southern Mississippi and a master's degree in business from the School of Business and Finance in Hollywood, Florida. (EC Photo)

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Collegians set concert

The Collegians, East Central Community College's pop/rock vocal and instrumental group, will present their annual fall concert at 8 p.m. Monday, November 22, in Huff Auditorium on the Decatur campus. Members include (kneeling, from left) technicians Andy Murphy of Meridian, Nathan Shaw of Philadelphia, Craig McRae and Ryan Woodard, both of Carthage; Robert Savell of Decatur and Jason Wallace of Louisville; (second row, from left) vocalists Nicki Peden of Louisville, Amber Gainer of Louisville, Ashley Byram of LaCenter, Kentucky; Beckie Fulton of Carthage, Chris Carson of Decatur, Mark Eakes of Philadelphia, and Josh Sanders of Decatur; and (back row, from left) musicians Brittany Bane and Jason Richardson, both of Philadelphia; Jason Gaines of Decatur, Frazier Wash of Forest, Joshua Black of Philadelphia, Julie White of Decatur, Adam Mann of Philadelphia and Dustin Burton of Decatur. Thomas W. Carson serves as director. For more information contact Carson at ECCC.

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ECCC PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL - Members of the East Central Community College President's Council and their hometowns include (seated, from left) Dean of Students Randall E. Lee, Michael Wilcher and Craig McRae, both of Carthage; Ginny Rigsby, Forest; and ECCC President Dr. Eddie M. Smith; and (standing from left) T. J. Madison, Philadelphia; Tracy Goodin, Noxapater; Tracy Lathem, Forest; Brent Madden, Sebastopol; Brandi Stone, Carthage; Adrin Gordon, Meridian; Karmen Jones, Walnut Grove; Adam Mann, Philadelphia; Veronica Haynes, Louisville; Frazier Wash, Forest; Beckie Fulton, Carthage; Melanie Atkinson, Jackson; Jon Martin, Philadelphia; Pam Jones, Morton; Kristy Turner of Philadelphia; Lisa Price, Carthage; Odessa Denson of Philadelphia; Marva Cavenaugh, Chunky; Staci Slayton, Enterprise; T. J. Porter, Morton; and Kristie French, Union. The President's Council is composed of all presidents of ECCC student organizations and its purpose is to establish better communications between campus organizations and the College President's office.

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WEEK OF 11-8-99

Five from here on Who's Who list at ECCC

Fifty-one East Central Community College students have been selected as national outstanding campus leaders and will be recognized in the 2000 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges.*

Students are selected for the prestigious publication on the basis of their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success. They join an elite group of students from more than 1,800 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations.

Students from Leake include Clifton G. Edwards, Amanda D. Hillman, Lacey A. Johnson, Craig M. McRae and Michael Wilcher, all of Carthage.

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'Spoon River" cast

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Council officers

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ECCC Gospel Choir Officers.....These students are officers of the gospel choir at East Central Community College in Decatur. Pictured are (seated, from left) chaplains Robert McQueen of Louisville and Stephanie Parrott of Lena; president Kymberly Patrick of Union; vice president Levi Duncan of Eustis, Florida; assistant treasurer Timothy Cager of Union; and secretary Adrin Gordon of Meridian; and (standing, from left) musician David Daniel of Tucasloosa, Alabama; chaplain LaWanda Ealy of Forest; musician Ken Jernigan of Louisville; assistant secretary Val Stribling of Chicago, Illinois; chaplain Ryan Louis of Forest; and musician Ellis Harrison of Walnut Grove. (EC Photo)

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1999 ECCC RODEO TEAM - Members of the East Central Community College Rodeo Team for the 1999 college year include (first row, from left) Ben Lindsey of Forest, Sara Wilson of Mendenhall, Nickie Dean of Newton, Stacy Dial of Livingston, Alabama; and Shawn Smith of Louisville; and (back row, from left) Matthew Hodum of Mendenhall, Jeremy Sherman of Laurel, Brian Madison of Philadelphia, Corry Manly of Pennington, Alabama; Sam Crowson of Louisville and Tony Smart of Forest. Jeff Griffin serves as coach and Michael Alexander serves as sponsor. (EC Photo)

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Key selected to Who's Who

Dr. Thomas Key, biology professor at East Central Community College in Decatur, was recently selected to Who's Who in the World 2000 by the Marquis Who's Who Publications Board. Inclusion is limited to "those who have demonstrated outstanding achievement in their own fields of endeavor and who have thereby contributed significantly to the betterment of contemporary society." Key received the award based on his accomplishments with shark liver oil as a treatment for diabetes, cancers, arthritis, high blood pressure, chronic fatigue syndrome, Chron's disease and eczema and for his work with alpha lipoic acid and other antioxidants. He is the author of two books: Key to Pest Control and Key to Headache Control.

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ECCC HOMECOMING COURT - Members of the 1999 East Central Community College Homecoming Court included (first row, from left) freshman maids Emily Boggan and Natalie Boggan, both of Newton County High School; Marci Patterson of Winston Academy and McKenzie Mack of Morton; queen LaShanta Lyles of Morton; maid of honor Angela Jayroe of Louisville; and sophomore maids Valarie Barfield of Neshoba Central, Katrina Hyde of Louisville and Tanequa Kirkland of Neshoba Central; and (back row, from left) escorts Nathan Shaw of Neshoba Central, Steve Pearson of Newton County High School, Josh Miles of Winston Academy, Eddie Lyles of Tyner High School in Chattanooga, Tennessee; Lamond Bowie of Morton, John Adam Long of Winston Academy, Keneen Childress of Louisville, T. J. Madison of Neshoba Central and Donamechia Carter of Philadelphia.

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EC establishes Vickers Scholarship

A scholarship honoring two longtime faculty members who recently retired from full-time teaching duties has been established at East Central Community College in Decatur.

The Ovid S. and Carol F. Vickers Scholarship was established by former students and friends in recognition of the couple's lifetime devotion to East Central.

Vickers, an Eastman, Ga. native, served the college as a humanities instructor, division chairman and in various other capacities from 1955 to 1995. He was chosen the college's academic instructor of the year in 1982 and was presented a Lifetime Achievement Award in 1994.

Vickers also served two terms as president of the Mississippi Council of Teachers of English, and the same organization named him college English Instructor of the Year in 1990. He was also instrumental in establishing the Mississippi Folklore Society.

In recognition of his 40-year career at East Central, the college's board of trustees named the Fine Arts Center in his honor.

Although he "officially" retired in 1995, Vickers has continued to teach on a part-time basis when needed and has provided additional assistance to the college.

He is a graduate of George Peabody College in Nashville, where he earned bachelor's, master's and educational specialist degrees.

Mrs. Vickers, the former Carol Farish, is a Noxapater native who was initially employed by the college in 1961 as secretary to the president and served in this capacity until 1968.

She then began her teaching career at Decatur High School where she taught English until 1983.

She joined the ECCC faculty the same year, as an instructor of English and reading. She also sponsored the college yearbook, the Wo-He-Lo.

She retired from full-time teaching duties in 1992, and subsequently served in various part time positions at the college.

Mrs. Vickers received her bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Southern Mississippi.

To be considered for the Vickers scholarship, potential recipients must:

- Be a high school graduate or hold a general education diploma (GED).
- Have at least a cumulative "C" (2.0) high school grade point average.
- Reside in one of East Central's five supporting districts.
- Plan to major in English education, literature, speech or in theater.

Earnings from the endowment corpus will be used to fund the scholarship in perpetuity.

No part of the endowment corpus will be used for scholarship awards. Recipients will be selected by the College Scholarship Committee.

For more information, contact the Dean of Students Office, East Central Community College, P. O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39320, phone 635-2111, ext. 204, or call toll free 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), ext. 204.

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SERVE AS DELEGATES - These East Central Community College associate degree nursing students were recently selected delegates to the Mississippi Student Nurses Association Convention held October 20-22 in Biloxi. From left are Vernon Bartholomew of Louisville, Kellie Moore and Martha Sawyer, both of Raleigh, and Denise Fleming of Hickory. (EC Photo)

TO PERFORM AT ECCC - East Central Community College instructor Laura Hammonds and her World Literature class will present "Ars, Poetica et Musica" at 8 p.m. Tuesday, November 16, in the Ovid S. Vickers Fine Arts Auditorium. The program, which in Latin means "the art of poetry and music," will feature ECCC music instructors (from left) Ross Price, Tonya Kirk and Leesa Wilkinson; and will spotlight the works of retired English instructor Ovid S. Vickers (right), who will also participate in the program. There is no charge to attend. For more information contact Hammons at 635-2111, ext 324. (EC photo)

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ECCC STUDENTS LEARN CPR - These East Central Community College students recently learned CPR as part of the requirements of Ms. Lucille Wood's First Aid Class. Pictured are (from left) instructor Donna Pace of Newton Regional Hospital, students Holly Turner of South Choctaw Academy, Lisa Price of Leake Academy, Tommie Wells of Forest, Christy Smith of Newton County, Terri Phillips of South Leake, Curtis Washington of Bay Springs, Amy Pigg and Jewett Perkins, both of Edinburg; Connie Tew of Forest and Val Stribling of Neshoba Central; and instructor Robin Williams of Newton Regional Hospital. Pace and Williams are both graduates of East Central. (EC Photo)

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WEEK OF 11-2-99

Central Industries to endow Gaddis award

Central Industries chairman of the board John Rogers this week announced the company's plans to endow a $2,500 annual scholarship to East Central Community College to accompany the Freddie Gaddis Memorial Trophy awarded annually to the most valuable player in the Forest/Morton football game.

Gaddis

The inaugural scholarship will be presented this Friday night at L.O. Atkins Field. Participating in the presentation will be the honoree's father, Forest Mayor Fred Gaddis. For an expanded look back at the life of the late Freddie Gaddis, see next week's Sports feature on the Gaddis trophy.

Gaddis was killed in a tragic 1971 plane crash near Starkville.

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ECCC BAND MEMBERS

These students from Scott County are members of the Warrior Wall O'Sound Marching Band at East Central Community College in Decatur. Pictured are (first row, from left) Jessica Weeks, Amy Jones and Courtney Cooper, all of Forest; Amanda Pope and Jennifer Bounds, both of Scott Central; McKenzie Mack, Heather Warren and Wendy Huff, all of Morton; Lora Ketton of Morton and Frazier Wash of Forest; (second row, from left) Anthony Guy of Morton, Catina Patrick of Scott Central, LaChae Barrett of Sebastopol, Crystal Alford, Heleena Fredrick and Lacey Stokley, all of Morton; and April Wallace, Jennifer Moss, Ashley Jones, Pamila Perkins adn Francis Richmond, all of Forest; and (back row, from left) Keith Betty of Morton, Alex Moore of Lake; Joseph Black of Scott Central, Jeff Denson of Morton, Justin Sharp of Sebastopol, Josh Tillman and Ryan Louis, both of Forest; William Perkins of Scott Central and William Land and Lee Ann Denson, both of Morton. Thomas W. Carson serves as ECCC Director of Bands. (EC Photo)

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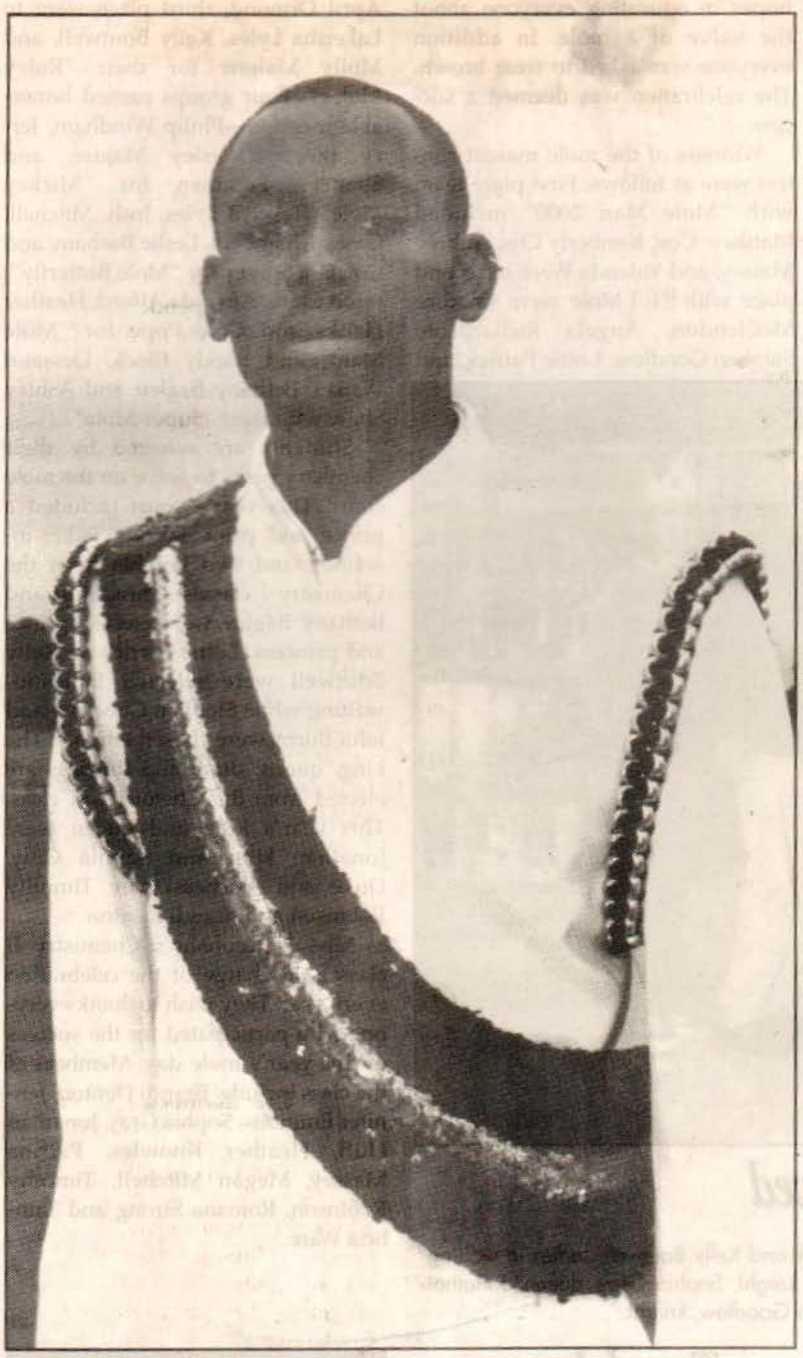

Wash leads EC Warrior Band

Freshman Frazier Wash of Forest is serving his first year as drum major for the Warrior Wall O' Sound Marching Band at East Central Community College in Decatur. Wash is a graduate of Forest High School, where he received All-Superior ratings while leading the Bearcat Band at State Band Contest during his senior year. A music education major, Wash also serves as Band Council president. He is the grandson of Mae and Frazier Rankin of Forest.

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WEEK OF 11-1-99

County choirs will perform at EC

Choir members representing several area high schools will combine their talents when East Central Community College hosts its annual District Choral Festival scheduled Tuesday, November 9 on the Decatur campus.

A performance by the Ac'cents, the College's show choir, officially begins the special program at 12:30 p.m. in the Ovid S. Vickers Fine Arts Center. The talented group is directed by Tony Kinton.

A concert featuring the visiting high school students will start at 1:15 p.m. in Huff Auditorium. The special guests will perform selections by Handel, Rutter, Halloran and Feldman. Dr. Richard Joiner of Mississippi College will serve as conductor.

The public is invited to attend and there is no charge for admission.

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EC Band Members

These students from Leake County are members of the Warrior Wall O' Sound Marching Band at East Central Community College in Decatur. Pictured are: (first row, from left) Yolanda Jones, Kim Coghlan, Shelby Withers and Jessica Brown, all of Carthage; Amber Johnson of Leake Academy, and Laura Chamblee, Janet Flowers and Sonya Kincaid, all of Carthage; and (back row, from left) Tenis Smith and Craig McRae, both of Carthage; Brad Parker Leake Academy, Brad Harrell of Carthage, Ellis Harris of South Leake, Josh Young of Leake Academy and Cl Edwards of Carthage. Thomas W. Carson serves as EC Director of Bands. (EC Photo)

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WEEK OF 10-25-99

Chip's A Warrior Fan Now... U.S. Representative Chip Pickering got a gift of an ECCC Warriors sweatshirt from Jan Addy (right) and Lois Cooper (left) at the conclusion of the Decatur Chamber of Commerce membership banquet. Pickering was the guest speaker. Addy is the outgoing president of the Chamber while Cooper is the incoming president.

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WEEK OF 10-25-99

Named SIFE officers

Serving as 1999-2000 officers for Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) at East Central Community College are (from left) president Valarie Barfield of Neshoba Central, vice president Tracy Latham and secretary/treasurer/reporter Connie Tew, both of Forest. SIFE is an organization for students interested in a career in a business related field.

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EC Players to present Neil Simon's 'Fools'

The East Central Community College Players will present "Fools," a comedy by Neil Simon, as their annual fall dinner theater production. Student performances will be held at 9:30 a.m. Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 8-9. Regular performances will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, Nov. 9-13. Admission is $15 and includes dinner. All performances will be held in Mabry Memorial Cafeteria on the Decatur campus.

The setting for this comical drama is the Ukraine in the 1890s, before the Russian Revolution. Leon Tolchinsky (played by Chris Carson of Decatur) has just landed a terrific job as a school teacher in the little hamlet of Kulyenchikov. When he arrives he finds people sweeping dust from the street back into their houses and people "who think if you milk a cow upside down you get more cream.."

Kulyenchikov has been cursed with stupidity for 200 years. The desperate towns people have hired Leon to break the curse that he will become stupid too.

Leon doesn't leave because he has fallen in love with Sophia Zubritsky (Melissa Till of Pelahatchie), the beautiful daughter of the town doctor and a girl so stupid that she has trouble finding the door. Of course, Leon breaks the curse and gets the girl, but has to fight Count Youskevitch (played by Bobby Hall of Philadelphia) in a battle of wits (not a difficult task) to accomplish this feat.

The dinner theater is directed by Lila Hunt.

Additional cast members include Michael Hodgins and Adam Mann, both of Philadelphia; Chad Anderson of Union, Daniel Fulton of Carthage, Ashley Lay of Lena, Hank Moreau of Decatur and Huellen Nutt of Morton.

For more information contact Hunt at ECCC, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, MS 39327, Ph. 635-2111 or toll free 1-877-462-3222, ext. 241.

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His parents are Fenton and Bettye DeWeese of Philadelphia.

Hatcher is a graduate of Winston Academy where she received the Best School Spirit Award and German Award. She was also a class favorite.

At East Central, the freshman liberal arts major is a member of the Diamond Girls, a support group for the Warrior baseball team.

Her parents are David and Dianne Hatcher of Philadelphia.

Ryals is a graduate of Neshoba Central High School where she was selected Outstanding Senior, Most Likely to Succeed and homecoming queen. She also served as president of Future Business Leaders of America, was vice president of the History Club and was a member of Mu Alpha Theta, Quill and Scroll and the Science Club. In addition, she was name to Who's Who Among American High School Students.

At East Central, the freshman liberal arts major is a member of the Warrior Wall O'Sound Marching Band.

Her parents are Mike and Gwen Ryals of Philadelphia.

Watson is a graduate of Neshoba Central High School where he was a member of the football team, Beta Club and Future Business Leaders of America.

Kyle Watson

At East Central, the sophomore physical education major is a member of the Warrior football team, Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society of the two-year college. Following the 1998 season, Watson was selected second team All-State.

His parents are Hanna and Sheila Watson.

WEEK OF 10-18-99

Local students named to Warrior Corps at ECCC

Erin Boswell, Pete DeWeese, Lindsey Hatcher, Laney Ryals, and Kyle Watson, all of Philadelphia, were recently chosen a member of the Warrior Corps at East Central Community College in Decatur. The prestigious organization is comprised of a select group of students who assist in recruiting and serve as hosts and hostesses for College events and activities. Academic Counselor Michael Alexander serves as advisor.

Boswell is a graduate of Neshoba Central High School where she was selected Miss NCHS and participated in Beta, history and science clubs. She is also a former Miss Neshoba County.

At East Central, the freshman psychology major is a member of the cheerleading squad for the Warrior football and basketball teams.

She is the daughter of Kaye Boswell of Philadelphia.

DeWeese is a graduate of Philadelphia High School where he received the Creative Writing award and U.S. Government Award. He also received "Student of the Month" honors presented by the Philadelphia Rotary Club.

At East Central, the freshman English major is a member of The Tom-Tom staff, the College newspaper.

Erin Boswell

Pete DeWeese

Lindsey Hatcher

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Warrior Corps

These five coeds from Leake County have been chosen members of the ECCC Warrior Corps. They are: Jessica Lane Brown and Kim Coghlan, both of Carthage; Karmen Leanne Jones, Walnut Grove; Brandi Leigh Stone and Shelby LeAnn Withers, both of Carthage. The select group will assist with recruiting and serve as hostesses at campus events.

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MAKING A DIFFERENCE--Several of the volunteers making a difference by helping with a book drive include, seated, from left: Kaski Mogre, Rameshi Wilson, Shandra Moore and Jennifer McWilliams. Behind the book collection box: RheaAnnthomas. Standing: Decatur Mayor David Griffin; Shemeka Cleveland; Wendy Hester; Martha Graham. Not pictured: Members of the Environmental Club who were busy placing book collection boxes at other locations: T.J. Porter, preident; Val Stribling, vice president; Brandi Crowell, secretary/treasurer. Organizations represented include Native American Club, Environmental Club, Gospel Choir, Phi Theta Kappa and AmeriCorps/Vista.

WEEK OF 10-11-99

Volunteers make a difference in Decatur

Operating under the assumption that everyone has the capacity to make a difference in his or her community, national Make a Difference Day--which will be observed this year on Oct. 23--will offer a multitude of opportunities for people to get involved in worthwhile projects.

In Decatur, one of the projects that will be making a difference is a book drive. Volunteers are asking the citizens of Decatur and students at ECCC gather up books of all descriptions and place them in boxes at selected drop-off points all over town.

The book c ollection project will have the cooperation and assistance of the town of Decatur.

"All types of books are welcome, from atlases to zoology textbooks," said Martha Graham, an AmeriCorps/Vista volunteer who is helping to coordinate the book collection project. "We are placing a special emphasis on children's books and, hopefully, children's videos."

The Newton County Elementary School Library and the Decatur Public Library will be the main benefactors, but requests from local non-profit organizations will be considered, she said.

The book collecting process already has begun, and will run through Saturday, Oct. 23. "The collection boxes will be placed in sheltered places and then picked up by volunteers from ECCC groups who have pledged their time and energy to help. Phi Theta Kappa, the Ecology Club, AmeriCorps volunteers and the ECCC Gospel Choir will help to sort the books and deliver them to the appropriate locations," Graham said.

If anyone has a large number of books to donate, volunteers will come to the location and collect the books. For large-volume donations, call 635-2111, ext. 104, and speak to Sheneka Cleveland or Martha Graham.

One of the major participating organizations is Campus Link-AmeriCorps. This organization was established in July 1996 in an effort to connect Mississippi's campuses to surrounding communities and offer a variety of leadership and service experiences to interested college students and local citizens.

Teams of AmeriCorps members are placed on participating campuses where they develop and coordinate community service projects. The "Mississippi Reads" program--Campus Link's premiere service initiative--was established durin 1996-97 and matched near 1,000 college students wit elementary school students i one-to-one tutoring relatio ships during the spring 199 semester.

The average reading lev increase of participating el mentary school students durin this semester was 1.69--mo than three times the norm level of increase.

In addition to the Missi sippi Reads project, Amer Corps members also identif local community service oppo tunities for a volunteer clea inghouse and participate i statewide service projects. E amples of volunteer opportun ties and projects include Make Difference Day, Martin Luthe King, Jr. Day, Boys and Gir Clubs, NetDay 2000, bloo drives and Alternative Sprin Breaks.

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ECCC Homecoming Court

Members of the 1999 East Central Community College Homecoming Court and their respective high schools include (seated, from left) sophomore maids Tanequa Kirkland of Neshoba Central and Katrina Hyde of Louisville; queen LaShanta Lyles of Morton, maid of honor Angela Jayroe of Louisville and sophomore maid Valerie Barfield of Neshoba Central; and (standing, from left) freshman maids Natalie Boggan of newton County, McKenzie Mack of Morton, Marci Patterson of Winston Academy and Emily Boggan of Newton County. The court will be presented during halftime activities Saturday, October 16, when the Warriors face division foe Jones County Junior College. (EC Photo)

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WEEK OF 10-4-99

EC Players to present 'Spoon River Anthology'

The East Central Community College Players will begin the 1999-2000 season with the Edgar Lee Master's classic "Spoon River Anthology." Performances will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 21, and at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Oct. 22-23, in the Ovid S. Vickers Fine Arts Center on the Decatur campus. Admission is free and the public is invited.

A cemetery is the setting for this classic collection of poetry, which has former inhabitants of the town talking about their lives from the perspective of the grave. The characterizations and vignette are interlaced with musical interludes such as the old folk favorites, "The River is Wide" and "A Paper of Pins." The roles and impersonations are of a deacon, a teacher, a poet, a soldier and a housewife, to name only a few. The theme is the human condition with all its sadness, valor, humor and inspiration.

This constantly moving collection was put into play form by Charles Aidman and is directed by Lila Hunt.

Cast members include Josh Fitch of Carthage, Karen Hailey, Adam Mann, Hank Moreau, Shirley McKee, Huellen Nutt, Matt Purvis, Tim Pittman, Marci Wall, and Melissa Till.

Serving as accompanists are Christy Price of Carthage and Michael Hodgins.

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WEEK OF 10-4-99

ECCC announces new Warrior Corps members

Forty-one new members were recently selected for the East Central Community College Warrior Corps, a group of students who assist in recruiting and serve as hosts and hostesses for various College events and activities. The new members were recognized at the annual Warrior Corps Banquet held on the Decatur campus.

New Warrior Corps members and their respective high schools are listed below.

Leake County: Jessica Brown, Shelby Withers and Kim Coghlan, all of Carthage; Amanda Griffin and Karmen Jones, both of Leake Academy; and Brandi Stone, Edinburg.

Neshoba County: Shayla Kirksey, Erin Boswell, Laney Ryals, Kyle Watson and Jessica Johnson, all of Neshoba Central, and Pete DeWeese and Hayley Ingram, both of Philadelphia.

Newton County: Sarah Johnson, Newton; Mae Walker, Natalie Boggan, Emily Boggan, Kelli Harris and Bridgette Stamper, all of Newton County: and Jessi Pullin, Mary Katherine Gordon and Will Wade, all of Union.

Scott County: Heather Warren and Huellen Nutt, both of Morton; Andy Chambers, Ashley Jones and Lisa Adcock, all of Forest; and Emily Stephens, Sebastopol.

Winston County: Leah Fulcher and Lindsey Hatcher, both of Winston Academy; Justin Reed, Jerri Lynn Frey, Matthew Snow and Brandy Burnett, all of Louisville; and Kristi Moore, Noxapater.

Out-of-district: Gina Wall, West Lauderdale; Jessica Evans, Sylva Bay Academy; Ashley Deel, East Rankin Academy; Michael Thompson, Prentiss Christian; Elesha Hopkins, Southeast Lauderdale; and Marcus Williams, Pelahatchie.

Returning members are Jennifer Bounds, Scott Central. Courtney Cooper; Tesa Henry and Connie Tew, all of Forest; Beau Ellison, Nykela Horne and Emily Johnson, all of Neshoba Central; Rebekah Franklin, Carmen Germany and Robyn Watts (vice president), all of Union; Jill Gray and Amanda Hillman, both of Leake Academy; Heather Hamilton, Newton; Amanda Harris, Ashley McDill, Josh Sanders and William Savell (treasurer), all of Newton County; Veronica Haynes and Jana Wylie, both of Louisville; Lacey Johnson, Alesha Kyzar (secretary) and Craig McRae, all of Carthage; Jon Martin (president), Philadelphia; Rita Nunn, Noxapater; Staci Slayton, Enterprise; Melissa Till, Pelahatchie; and Michael Wilcher, Edinburg.

Academic counselor Michael Alexander serves as sponsor.

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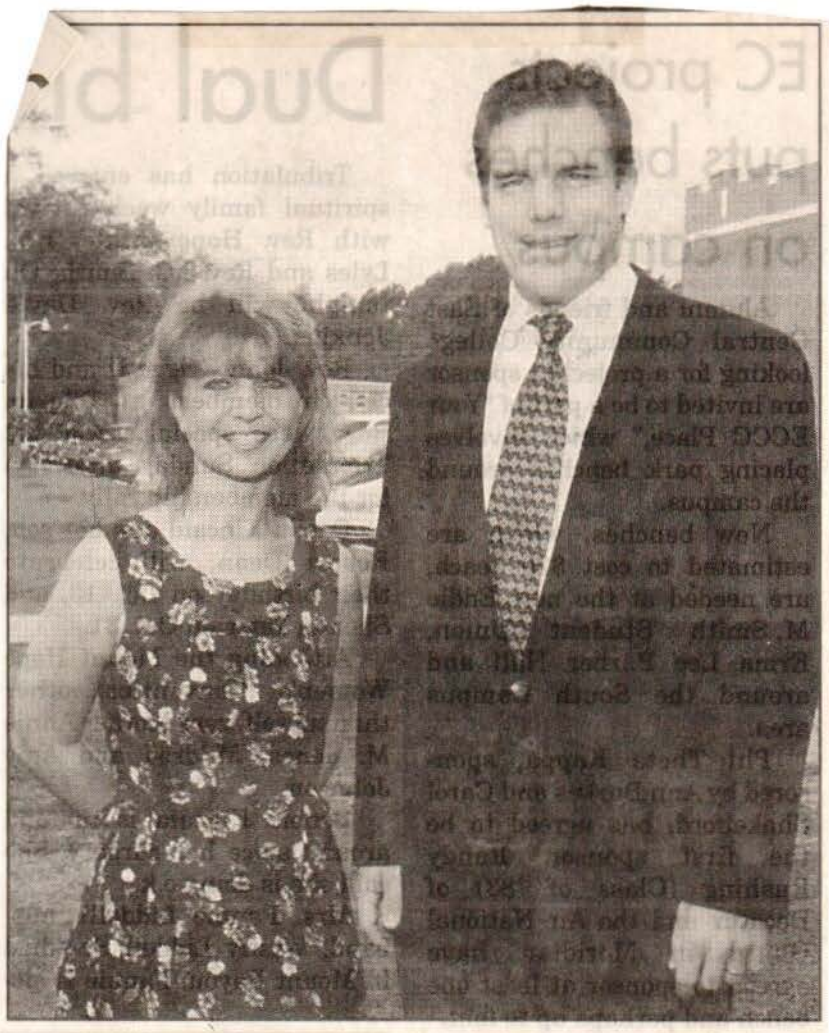

Gaines scholarship

Bobbie Gaines (left) of Carthage was recently awarded a Nontraditional Student Tuition Scholarship to continue her education at East Central Community College in Decatur. Gaines, a freshman pre-nursing major, is shown with ECCC Dean of Students Randall E. Lee. The scholarship is available to any qualified Mississippi resident, 23 years of age or older at the time of initial enrollment, who enrolls full-time at East Central. The scholarship will be available for three consecutive semesters following the first 12 semester hours earned as either a part-time or full-time ECCC student. For more information contact the Dean of Students Office, Ph. 635-2111, ext. 204 or call toll free, 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), ext. 204.

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Receives scholarship

Lisa Adcock of Forest was recently presented the Mississippi Association of Supervisors scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. Adcock, a freshman pre-med major, is shown receiving the award from Scott County Supervisors (from left) Buford Palmer (District 3), Board President Steve Lee (District 2), Chuck Wade (District 1) and Jack Gordon (District 4). Not pictured is Isaac Weems (District 5) who was unable to participate in the presentation.

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ECCC 'House of Hoops' scheduled for Tuesday, October 12

A preview of the 1999-2000 basketball teams at East Central Community College will be available for sports fans on Tuesday, Oct. 12, in the Brackeen-Wood Gymnasium on the Decatur campus.

The preseason event, called the "House of Hoops," tips off at 6:30 p.m. with the Lady Warriors holding a one-hour practice session. Introduction of the Lady Warrior and Warrior squads will be held from 7:30 to 7:45 p.m., followed by the Warriors' practice session, which concludes at 8:45 p.m.

The public is invited to attend and there is no charge for admission.

Coach Sammy Pace leads the Lady Warriors and Coach Jay Bowen serves as Warrior head mentor. Brad Hodge stars his first year as an assistant for both teams.

The Lady Warriors and Warriors begin season action by participating in the Jones County Junior College Tournament scheduled Nov. 1-2 in Ellisville.

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Endow scholarship

Jewell Parkes, left, and Glenn Myers, center, recently donated $20,000 to East Central Community College to endow the Ben Myers Memorial Scholarship. Their son, Ben, a 1997 graduate of East Central, lost his life in an auto accident in 1998. While at EC, Ben, an outstanding student-athlete, was elected "Mr. East Central Community College." Receiving the donation is Dr. Phil Sutphin, ECCC Dean of Instruction.

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ECCC FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS - These students were recently selected officers of the freshman class at East Central Community College in Decatur. Pictured are (from left president - Levi Duncan of Eustis, Florida; vice president - Emily Boggan of Decatur; secretary - Sarah Johnson of Hickory; and treasurer - Karmen Jones of Walnut Grove. (EC Photo)

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ECCC SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS

These students were recently selected officers of the sophomore class at East Central Community College in Decatur. Pictured are (from left) president Michael Wilcher of Edinburg, vice president Emily Johson of Philadelphia, secretary Huellen Nutt of Morton and treasurer Staci Slayton of Enterprise.
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ECCC CONCERT CHOIR OFFICERS

These students serve as officers of the concert choir at East Central Community College in Decatur. Pictured are (first row, from left) librarian Shandra Moore of Philadelphia, reporter Ashley Lay of Lena, vice president Jason Wallace of Louisville and president Marva Cavenaugh of Chunky; and (back row, from left) librarians Adrin Gordon of Meridian, and Sharonda Triplett and Rena Perry, both of Louisville; and secretary William Savell of Lake.

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WEEK OF 9-20-99

East Central Ac'cents plan reunion on Oct. 16

All former members of the Ac'cents, East Central Community College's show choir, are encouraged to attend reunion activities scheduled Saturday, Oct. 16, during the College's annual homecoming celebration.

Organized in 1989 by former choral music instructor Charles Hinson, the Ac'cents are celebrating their tenth anniversary this year.

As part of this celebration, the Ac'cents are scheduled to sing the national anthem prior to the 2:30 kickoff of the Warriors football game against Jones County Junior College.

In addition to the Ac'cents, other groups being honored at Homecoming 1999, are graduates of all classes ending in "9," the 1966-67 football team and the Class of 1937.

For more information contact the Office of Development and Alumni Relations, ECCC, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, telephone 601-635-2111, ext. 323, or toll free 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222).

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Collegians selected at EC

Members of the Collegians, the East Central Community College pop/rock vocal and instrumental group, were recently announced by director Thomas W. Carson. Sixty-three people participated in auditions held earlier on the Decatur campus.

Students selected for the popular ensemble include vocalists Ashley Byram of Sebastopol, Chris Carson and Josh Sanders, both of Newton County High School; Mark Eakes of Neshoba Central, Beckie Fulton of Leake Academy and Amber Gainer and Nickie Peden, both of Louisville.

Members of the rhythm section include Brittany Bane of Neshoba Central, lead guitar; Frazier Wash of Forest, keyboards; Jason Gaines of Newton County, bass guitar; and Jason Richardson of Neshoba Central, drumset.

The wind section includes first trumpet Dustin Burton and saxophonist Julie White, both of Newton County; and second trumpet Adam Mann and trombonist Joshua Black, both of Neshoba Central.

Technician include Jason Wallace (head technician) and Ryan Woodard, both of Louisville; Nathan Shaw of Neshoba Central, Robert Savell of Newton County, Craig McRae of Carthage and Andy Murphy of Southeast Lauderdale.

The Collegians will be the featured entertainment at the Philadelphia-Neshoba County Chamber Banquet on Monday, Nov. 8. The group's fall campus concert will be held Monday, Nov. 22, at 8 p.m. in Huff Auditorium.

For more information contact Carson at ECCC, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, Ph. 635-2111, ext. 228, or toll free 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222).

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ECCC ADN graduates all pass state exam

Graduates of the Associate Degree Nursing Program, Class of 1999, at East Central Community College in Decatur have received a 100 percent pass rate on first write on the state board examination, announced Dr. Phil Sutphin, Dean of Instruction.

Dr. Sutphin said the College is "extremely pleased" with the test results, and gave praise to former ADN Director Nancy Harris, members of the nursing faculty and the 20 graduates for achieving the program's first 100 percent pass rate on first write.

Mrs. Harris, who retired following the 1998-99 term after serving six years as the College's first ADN director, said she had "no doubt" the 1999 graduates would be successful on the exam, formally known as the National Certification and Licensure Examination for the Registered Nurse (NCLEX-RN). "These students worked hard, studied hard, spent a lot of time in the lab and really worked well as a group. I am very proud of every one of them," she said.

Members of the 1999 ADN graduating class included Candice Beason, Shea Trapp, Christy Williamson, Tammy Bradley, Melanie King, Beverly Moody, Kellie Goss and Mary Warren, all of Philadelphia; Alisha Bennett of Morton; Christy Gross and Angela Patterson, both of Union; Denise Willis of Collinsville; Kim Williams and Melanie Harris, both of Decatur; Michelle Robertson, Ellen Null and Tammy Rademacher, all of Louisville; Sharon Nix of Newton; Becky Harrell of Forest; and Jobeth Andreacchio of Meridian.

For more information regarding the Associate Degree Nursing Program at East Central Community College, contact Melanie Gilmore, Director, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327 or call toll free, 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), ext. 294

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ECCC to dedicate campus project in honor of Day family at Homecoming

The recently completed campus-wide arboretum and outdoor classroom project at East Central Community College in Decatur will be named in honor of the family mainly responsible for its funding. The College's Board of Trustees has approved naming the project in memory of the Day family, with a dedication ceremony scheduled at 9 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 16, as part of Homecoming activities on the Decatur campus.

The project was initiated by the Rev. Jane Todd Gurry (Class of 1951) of Raleigh, N.C., who first promoted the planting of additional trees and further landscaping on the East Central campus. She was joined in the effort by her brother, Dr. Joe Todd (class of 1953), a cardiovascular surgeon in Cincinnati, Ohio. Both are among descendants of the late Samuel Marion and Eliza Frances Day of Newton County. Other Day family members who contributed to the project include Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Pruden of Hope, Ark. and J. E. and Betty Cox of Dallas, Texas. Rev. Gurry and Dr. Todd are the children of the late Dr. L. O. Todd who was ECCC president from 1934 to 1962.

To date, over $30,000 has been invested in the project, with more than half of that amount donated by the Day family. Included in the total amount contributed is approximately $15,000 worth of in-kind services by individuals and groups. A significant in-kind gift is the donation of 220 trees by Colonel Albert Smith (class of 1937) of Mascotte, Fla.

on the north end of the Decatur campus between the College lake and softball field.

Resposible for implementing the Day Family Memorial Campus Aboretum and Outdoor Classroom Project is Ron Davis, chairman of East Central's science division. "With the development of this project, the campus has literally been transformed into an outdoor classroom, one that will benefit students, the community and the general public for generations to come," Davis said.

Funding has also come from a $10,000 grant provided by the Urban and Community Forestry Program of the Mississippi Forestry Commission and the USDA Forest Service in cooperation with the Southern Group of State Foresters.

Since last spring, almost 300 trees have been planted on the East Central campus, 91 of which are now labeled with both their scientific and common names.

Also during the 1998-99 College term, a campus-wide effort culminated in the development of a Campus Botanical Guide. For each tree, the guide shows art depicting typical as well as descriptive characteristicc. Copies of the guide have been distributed on campus and are available for the public.

Among campus locations designated as an "outdoor classroom" is an area near the recently completed fitness trail located

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WEEK OF 9-20-99

Receive EC scholarships

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WEEK OF 8-30-99

EC establishes memorial fund for car victim

A memorial fund has been established at East Central Community College in Decatur for the family of Delbert Harrison of Newton, an ECCC staff member who was killed Aug. 15 in a one-car accident south of Decatur on Hwy. 15.

Harrison, who worked in the College's maintenance department, spent much of his time serving the community, especially in areas pertaining to young people. He served as a little league baseball coach for many years.

During his funeral services, the Noxapater native was eulogized as someone who "combined intensity, wit and goodwill to become an icon in his community." He was also described as having a "magnetic presence to young athletes...he had a positive impact on many a boy."

Harrison was also praised for the "love and tenderness" shown his wife, Jimmie Lynn, whom he had met when both attended East Central Community College in 1982. The devotion for his son, Del, was also mentioned. Harrison left his son "a legacy of love that will uplift him throughout life."

Contributions to the Delbert Harrison Memorial Fund may be sent to the East Central Community College Foundation, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327. For more information call toll free, 1-877-GO-2-ECCC, ext. 323, (1-877-462-3222).

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WEEK OF 8-30-99

ECCC FOOTBALL CHEERLEADRS

Leading cheers for the East Central Community College football team during the 1999 campaign are (in front) Nikki Way, Newton; (kneeling from left) Tesa Henry, Forest; Jill Gray, Leake Academy; Robyn Watts, Union; Lisa Adcock, Forest; Emily Johnson, Neshoba Central; and Staci Slayton, Enterprise; and (standing from left) Chris Van Etten, Scott Central; Nykela Horne and Bryan Madison, both of Neshoba Central; Gina Wall, West Lauderdale; Jeremy Saenz, Aldine High School, Houston, Texas; Erin Boswell and Kevin Cutrer, both of Neshoba Central; and Amy Arinder and Lee Thompson, both of Morton. Kim Mangum serves as sponsor.

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ECCC BAND CAPTAINS

Serving as captains for the East Central Community College Warrior Wall O' Sound Marching Band during 1999-2000 are (from left) Jennifer Guyse and Jessica Guyse, both of Newton, Centralette co-captains; Katrina Hyde of Ackerman, flag co-captain; Mark Johnson of Newton, drum captain; Angela Jayroe of Louisville, flag co-captain; and Jessica McDowell of Neshoba Central, rifle captain. The Wall O' Sound is led by Thomas W. Carson, Director of Bands.

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WEEK OF 8-23-99

ECCC'S LPN GRADUATES - Above are 1999 graduates of the East Central Community College Licensed Practical Nursing Program who were recognized at the annual pinning ceremony held on the Decatur campus. They are first row from left: Ashley Alexander of Lena, Wendy Conn Belk and Wendy Michelle Cheatham, both of Philadelphia, and Sandra Lynn Colyer of Morton. Second row - Nelda Grace Fulcher Engram of Conehatta, Regina Ramage Gant of Meridian, Evangeline Wells Goss of Louisville, Francine Gray of Lake and Lynda Sue Howard of Philadelphia. Back row - Pamela Lindsey Morrow of Philadelphia, Rhonda McElhenney Smith of Decatur, Crystal Gail Tate of Little Rock, Angelia Roxanne Warnsley of Morton and Tracey Weaver Warren of Conehatta. Mrs. Warren was selected LPN Student of the Year.

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WEEK OF 8-16-95

LA scholar

Mrs. Tommye Rosenbaum, representing the Thursday Club of Walnut Grove, presents Rachel Roland, a graduate of Leake Academy, a scholarship check in the amount of $500. Roland is enrolled in East Central Community College and plans to pursue a degree in elementary education.

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WEEK OF 8-16-99

–East Central Community College–

ECCC CHEERS – Football cheerleaders at East Central Community College in Decatur for the 1999 season include, seated, from left, Lisa Adcock and Tesa Henry, both of Forest, Amy Arinder of Morton and Staci Slayton of Enterprise; kneeling, Jill Gray of Leake Academy, Erin Boswell of Neshoba Central and Nikki Way of Newton; third row, Robyn Watts of Union, Kela Horne of Neshoba Central, Gina Wall of West Lauderdale and Emily Johnson of Neshoba Central; and fourth row, Kevin Cuter of Neshoba Central, Chris Van Etten of Scott Central, Jeremy Saemz of Aldine High School in Houston, Texas, Bryan Madison of Neshoba Central and Lee Thompson of Morton. Kim Mangum serves as sponsor.

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ECCC football schedule

Sept. 2, Home
Northwest
Sept. 9, Away
Itawamba
Sept. 16, Away
East Mississippi
Sept. 23, Home
Co-Lin
Sept. 30, Away
Southwest
Oct. 7, Away
Hinds
Oct. 16, Home
Jones
Oct. 21, Home
Miss. Delta
Oct. 30, Away
Pearl River
Nov. 4, Home
Gulf Coast

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WEEK OF 8-16-99

Rucker Attends ECCC Orientation..... Michael Rucker (left) of Little Rock was among those attending orientation activities held Saturday, June 19, at East Central Community College in Decatur. Surgical Technology instructor Janice Jacobs is shown assisting Rucker with his fall semester class schedule. During orientation, students advance register for fall classes and learn of the many academic, social and personal opportunities available at East Central. Additional sessions will be held Thursday, July 8; Wednesday, July 21; and Saturday, August 7. Fall day classes begin Monday, August 16. For more information contact the Dean of Students' Office, ECCC, Decatur, MS 39327, Ph. 635-2111, ext. 204, or toll free 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222). (EC Photo)

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WEEK OF 8-9-99

FIRST 'SCHOLARS FOR DOLLARS' CONTRIBUTOR -Prince Oil Company in Philadelphia is the first donor to the new "Scholars for Dollars" program at East Central Community College in Decatur. The new scholarship offers top students two full years of tuition-paid educational opportunities at East Central. Philip Prince (left), company secretary-treasurer, is shown presenting a check for two tuition-paid scholarships to Larry Hogue, the College's director of development and alumni relations. prince is a 1995 ECCC graduate where he was named to the Hall of Fame and was a standout member of the Warrior basketball team. For more information about "Dollars for Scholars," contact the Office of Development and Alumni Relations, ECCC, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, Ph 635-2111, ext. 323 or call toll free, 1-877-462-3222, ext. 323. (EC Photo)

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WEEK OF 8-9-99

Deadline nearing for ECCC non-traditional scholarships

The deadline is nearing for adult students who plan to apply for tuition scholarships provided at East Central Community College in Decatur.

The nontraditional student tuition scholarship is available to any qualified Mississippi resident 23 years of age or older, at the time of initial enrollment, who enrolls as a full-time student at East Central.

The scholarship is available for three consecutive semesters following the first 12 semester hours earned either as a part-time or full-time ECCC student.

August 13 is the deadline to apply for nontraditional scholarships, as well as all scholarships offered at East Central for the 1999 fall semester.

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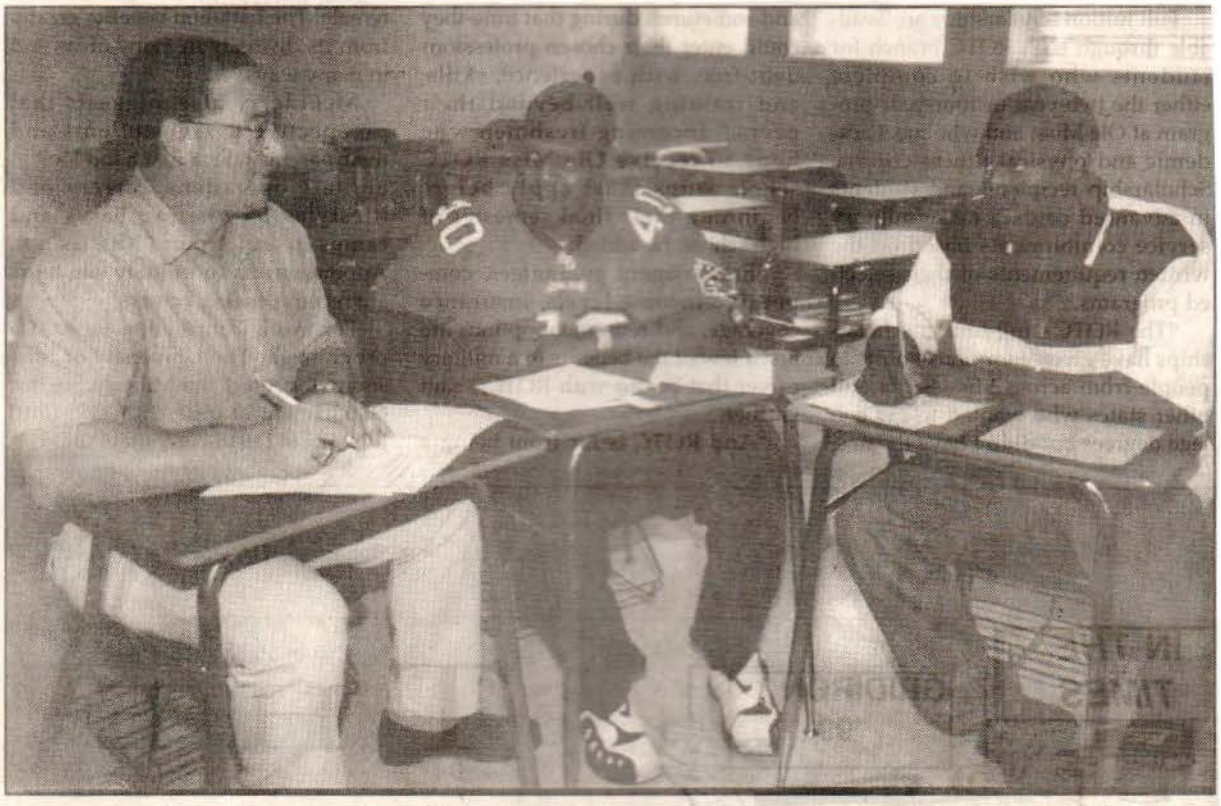

Robinson and Ellis work on class schedules at ECCC

East Central Community College head football coach Terry Underwood(left) assists incoming freshmen team members Emmit Ellis (center) of Louisville and Birchel Robinson of Forest with their fall class schedules during orientation activities recently held on the Decatur campus. In addition to registering for classes, students who attend orientation learn of the wide variety of academic, social and personal opportunities available at East central.Fall day classes begin Monday, August 16. For more information contact the Dean of Students Office, phone 635-2111, ext. 204 or toll free at 1-877-462-3222, ext. 204.(Photo courtesy ECCC)

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WEEK OF Aug. 3, 1994

Registers for ECCC Classes..... Lee Ann Barrett of Decatur recently attended orientation activities at East Central Community College and is shown receiving assistance planning her fall class schedule from Wendy Moore, associate degree nursing instructor. In addition to advance registering for classes, students attending orientation learn of the wide variety of academic, social and personal opportunities available at East Central. An additional orientation session will be held Saturday, August 7. Registration starts at 8 a.m. in the Vickers Fine Arts Center. Fall day classes begin Monday, August 16.

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WEEK OF 8/5/99

Area students attend ECCC orientation

Numerous students from Neshoba County participated in orientation activities held July 21, at East Central Community College in Decatur.

Participants included Anitra Allen, Robert Bass, Jennifer Beckham, Conesha Clemons, Walvisa Coleman, Joel Cosgrove, Stephanie Cotton, Jautesha Crockett, Thomas Ellison, Letina Farve, Mark Gray, Jamie Helfin, Angela Herrin, Robert Hodgins, Charles Hodgins, Brooke Kenndey, Angela Lewis, Henry Misso, Brandi Parker, Emily Spears, Lycicia Stafford, Tracy Sullivan, Rhea Thomas, Lee Wesley and Willis Tyler, all of Philadelphia.

During orientation, students advance register for fall classes and learn of a wide variety of academic, social and personal opportunities available on the Decatur campus.

An additional orientation session is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 7.

Fall day classes begin Monday, Aug. 16.

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WEEK OF July 26, 1999

TRAPP HONORED AT ECCC - Harvey Trapp, retired business manager and former accounting instructor at East Central Community College in Decatur, was recently honored for his many years of service. Trapp, who retired June 30 following 22 years employment at the College, is shown with his wife, Brenda ,(left) and daughter, Tonya Nowell, at a reception held in his honor. The former ECCC administrator was earlier honored with a resolution adopted by the Collee's Board of Trustees. (EC Photo)

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RECEIVE NATIONAL HONORS! These representatives of East Central Community College's surgical technology program recently received various honors at the National HOSA (Health Occupation Students of America) Competition held in Nashville, TN. Awards winners include (from left) advisor/instructor Janice Jacobs of Meridian, selected Mississippi's Post-Secondary HOSA Advisor of the Year; Nicky Strait of Lawrence, a top 10 finisher inthe surgical technology competition; Leake Academy product Michael Roland of Decatur, second place, surgical technology and job seeking skills; and Tracy Kilpatrick of Union, first place in surgical technology. The award winners were recognized at the annul pinning ceremony for surgical tecnology students held in the Vickers Fine Arts Center on the Decatur campus. (EC Photo)

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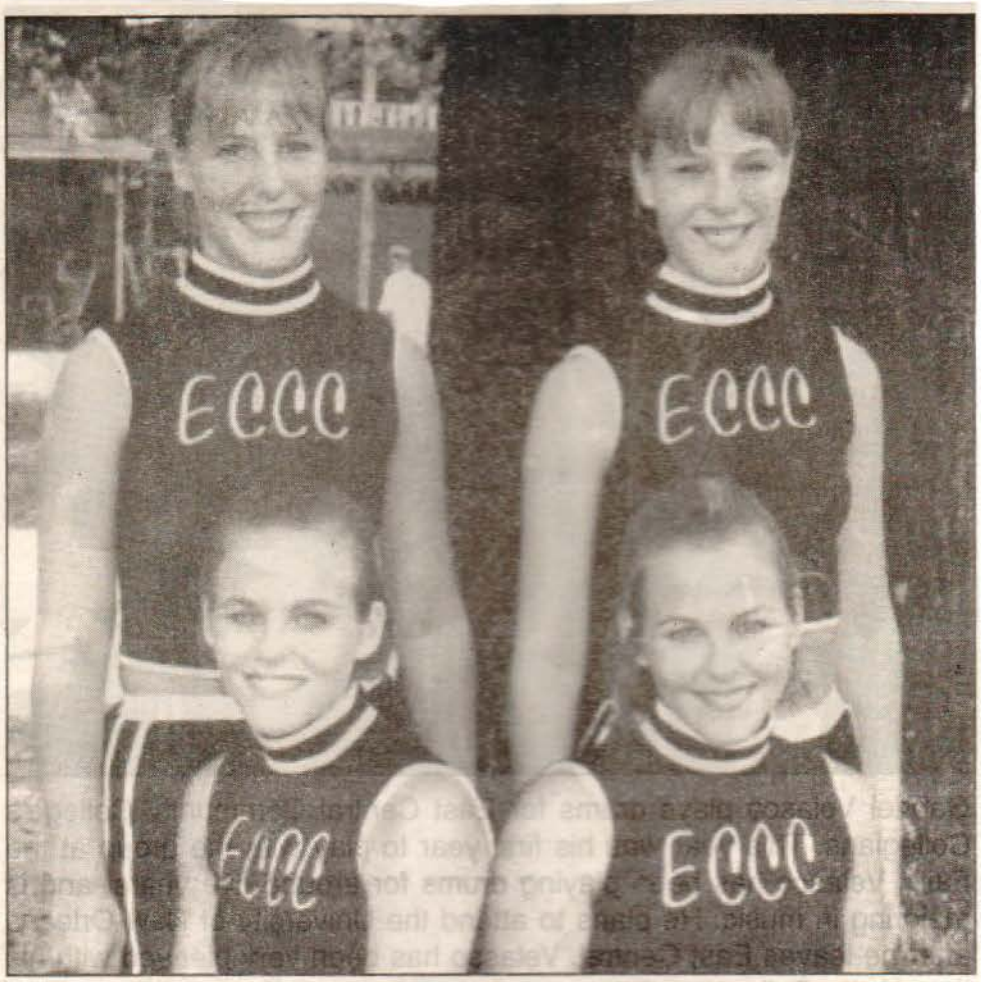

Folks watching halftime performances at East Central Community College this fall don't have to get their eyes checked. . .they aren't plagued by double vision. Twin members of the Centralettes are, seated, Emily and Natalie Boggan of Decatur and standing, Jessica and Jennifer Guyse of Newton.

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Receive ECCC technical awards

These East Central Community College students received technical honors at the college's annual Awards Day program held recently on the Decatur campus. Honorees include, seated, from left: Marcus Ellis of Walnut Grove, collision repair technology; George Parks of Lake, automotive technology; Cindy Hornesbuger of Noxapater, child development technology; Kendall Hoskin of Noxapater and Catherine York of Philadelphia, computer technology; and Eddie Jenkins of Philadelphia, electronic technology; standing, Tomi Mize of Newton, heating and air conditioning technology; Derek Burton, machine shop technology, and Kim Hollingsworth, O.L. Newell Drafting, both of Decatur; Michael Roland of Decatur and Tracy Kilpatrick of Union, surgical technology; and Betina Latiker of Carthage, "Technical Student of the Year." Not pictured is Kristopher Robertson of Philadelphia, electrical technology.

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Recognized for achievement

Employees of U.S. Electrical Motors in Philadelphia were recently recognized for completing a self-improvement program, "Interpersonal Skills Enhancement Training for Key Personnel," conducted by the Skill/Tech One-Stop Career Center at East Central Community College, included, from left, front, prticipants Shelby Anthony, Jerry Barnes, Levella Cager, Dwight Carter, Jerry Clark, Dee Edwards, back, ECCC training consultant Pete Lohrer, participants Marvin Gale, Billy Graham, Wilson Hobson, Thad Humphries of Walnut Grove, Mike Moore, Fredrick Murray, Derrel Partridge, Jimmy Reed, Gerald Spears and Freddie Wilson and training coordinator Paul Thomas.

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REGISTERS FOR ECCC CLASSES - Lee Ann Barrett of Decatur recently attended orientation activities at East Central Community College and is shown receiving assistance planning her fall class schedule from Wendy Moore, associate degree nursing instructor. In addition to advance registering for classes, students attending orientation learn of the wide variety of academic , social and personal opportunities available at East Central. An additional orientation session will be held Saturday, August 7. Registration starts at 8 a.m. in the Vickers Fine Arts Center. Fall day classes begin Monday, August 16. (ECCC Photo)

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Pearson Attends ECCC Orientation..... Steve Pearson of Decatur was among area students who recently attended orientation activities held at East Central Community College. The Newton County High School graduate is shown receiving assistance in planning his fall class schedule with Lanette Hanna, academic counselor. In addition to advance registering for classes, students attending orientation learn of the wide variety of academic, social and personal opportunities available on the Decatur campus. An additional orientation session will be held Saturday, August 7. Fall day classes begin Monday, August 16. For more information contact the Dean of Students Office, Ph 635-2111, ext. 204 .

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Receive MSU scholarships

These East Central Community College sophomores received transfer scholarships to continue their education at the Mississippi State University. The scholarships were presented at the annual ECCC Awards Day program held on the Decatur campus. Pictured are seated, from left, Stephanie Bugg of Lawrence, Corrine Chambliss of Louisville, Danna Dye of Morton, Cody Fisher of Conehatta, Margaret Greer and Linzy Gressett, both of Carthage; Neil Hansford of Decatur and Amanda McMillan of Forest; and standing, Jonathan Mills and B.J. Morrow, both of Philadelphia; Laura Ming of Louisville, Lisa Price of Carthage, Vanessa Sanders of Anchorage, Alaska; Katie Stokes of Louisville, Donna Tucker of Carthage, Natalie Vowell of Louisville, Courtney Wilcher of Edinburg, Scicile Wilkerson of Pulaski, Laura Faulk of Louisville, and John Dickerson, MSU Associate Director of Enrollment Services. Not pictured are Angela Dempsey and Clifford Gregory, both of Louisville; Donnie Fletcher and Jonathon Grice, both of Carthage; Christopher Fuller of Pulaski, Amanda Miles of Union, Amanda Keeton of Morton, Erik Perozo of Lake and Ronnie Thrash and Gregory Willis, both of Newton.

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ECCC SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY GRADUATES

Above are 1999 graduates of East Central Community College's surgical technology program who were recognized at the annual pinning ceremony held recently on the Decatur campus. Pictured are (seated from left) Kelly Bates, Morton; Crystal Cooley, Hickory; Jennifer Huey, Collinsville; and Stacie Hall, Pulaski; (second row, from left) Kathy Spears, Philadelphia; Stacey Mills adn Nicky Strait, both of Lawrence; Michelle Parks, Newton; and Amy Massey, Morton; adn (back row, from left) Alexander Lee, Lake; Kim George, Philadelphia; Michael Roland, Decatur; and Tracy Kilpatrick, Union. Janice Jacobs serves as instructor. (EC Photo)

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USM transfer scholarships

These East Central Community College sophomores received transfer scholarships to the University of Southern Mississippi. Scholarships were presented at the annual ECCC Awards Day program held on the Decatur campus. Students are, from left: Candice Butler of Morton, Jessica Wright of Forest, Christina Pearce of Decatur and Uwe Dotzauer of Landau, Germany; standing, Jennifer Pace of Decatur, Shelley McKinley of Forest, Philip Smith of Philadelphia, Betina Latiker of Carthage and USM Admissions Counselor Jennifer Gressett. Smith also received the USM Eddie M. Smith Presidential Scholarship.

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RECEIVES LA-Z-BOY SCHOLARSHIP... Kristen Cleveland (right), a 1999 graduate of Newton County High School, is the recipient of a La-Z-Boy South Scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. The outstanding student is shown receiving the award from company official Chris Harris. (EC Photo)

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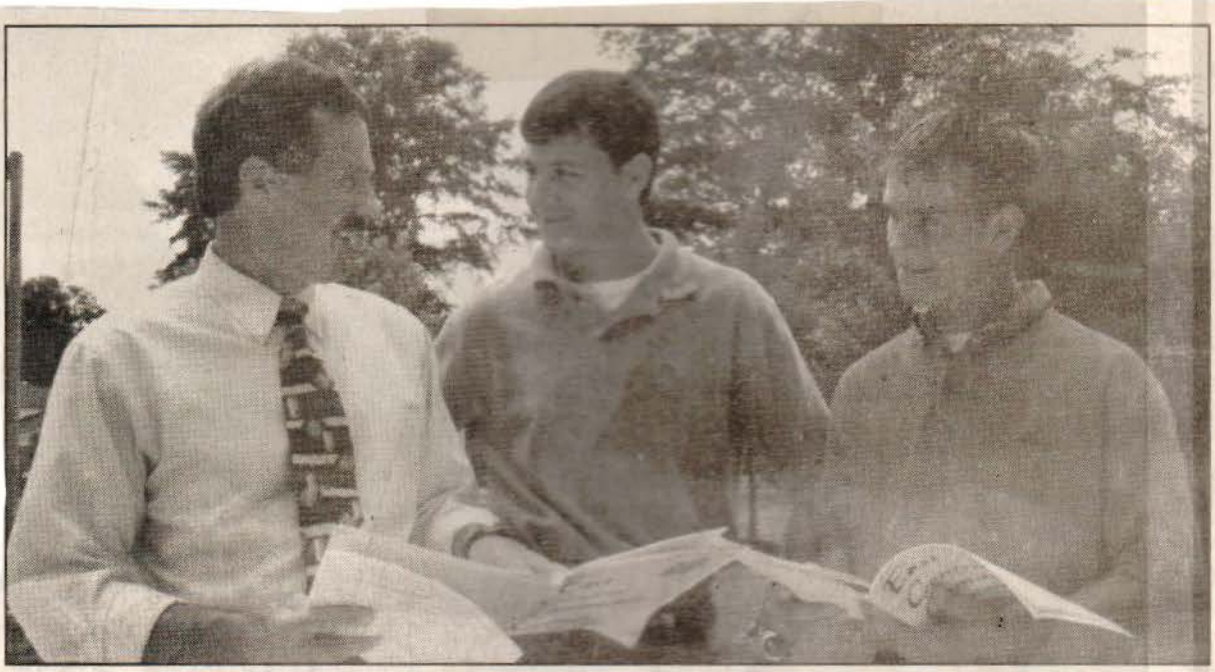

Attend EC orientation

Michael Alexander (left), academic counselor at East Central Community College, is shown providing assistance to Ben Lindsey (center) and Tony Smart, both of Forest, who recently attended orientation activities held on the Decatur campus. During orientation, students advance register for fall classes and learn of the wide variety of academic, social and personal opportunities available at East Central. An additional orientation session will be held Saturday, August 7. Registration begins at 8 a.m. in the Vickers Fine Arts Center. Fall day classes begin Monday, August 16. For more information contact the Dean of Students Office, Ph 635-2111 or call toll free, 1-877-Go-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222), ext. 242.

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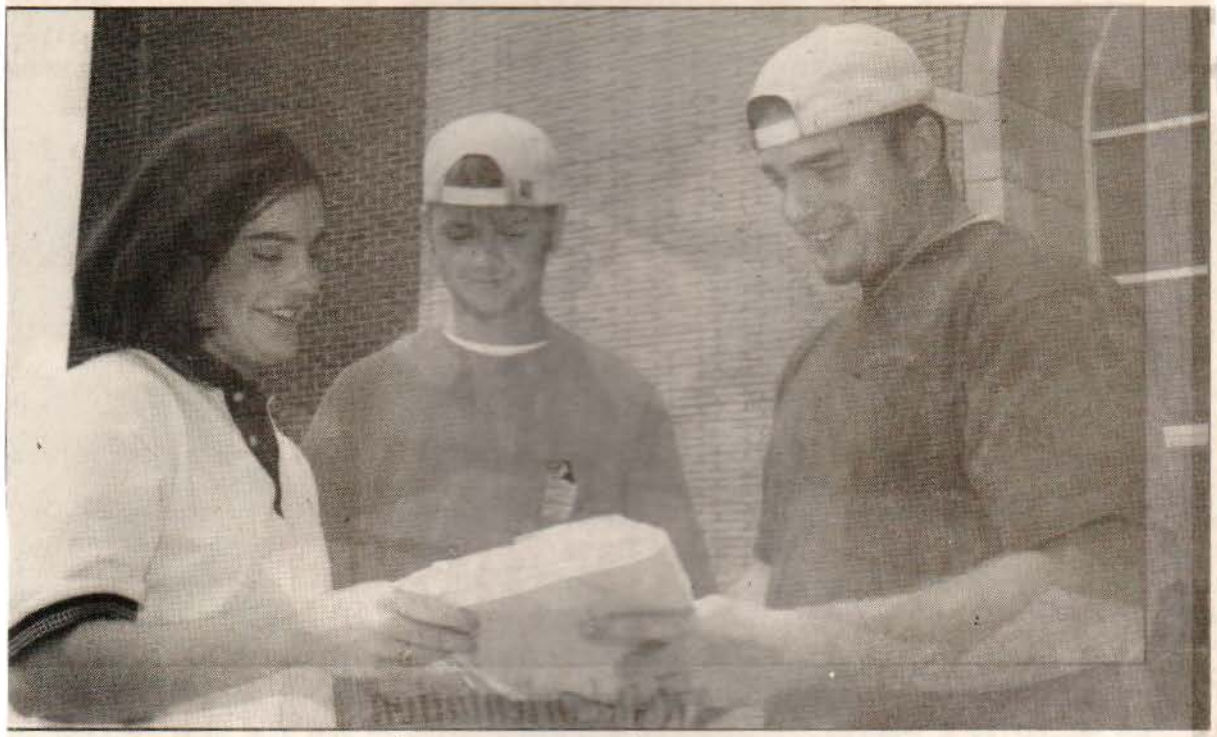

Johnson attends orientation

East Central Community College Warrior Corps member Tesa Henry of Forest is shown assisting Russ Owen (center) of Philadelphia and Nathan Johnson of Forest during orientation activities held Saturday, June 19 on the Decatur campus. During orientation, students advance register for fall classes and learn of the many academic, social, and personal opportunities available at East Central. Additional sessions will be held Thursday, July 8; Wednesday, July 21; and Saturday, August 7. Fall day classes begin Monday, August 16. For more information contact the Dean of Students' Office, ECCC, Decatur, MS 39327, Ph. 635-2111, ext. 204 or toll free 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222). (EC Photo)

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WEEK OF 07/19/99

'Special' award recipients

Recipients of "special" awards presented at East Central Community College annual Awards Day program include (seated, from left) Neil Hansford of Decatur, citizenship; Tami Phi of Union, The Tom-Tom; Vanessa Sanders of Anchorage, Alaska, Wo-He-Lo; Chas Evans of Chunky, ECCC Players; Amanda McMillan and Joseph Tucker, both of Forest, ECCC Singers; and Kimberly Patrick of Union, ECCC Gospel Choir, and (standing, from left) Sharonda Triplett of Louisville and David Daniel of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, ECCC Gospel Choir, Amy Arthur of Union, L.B. Simmons, History; Jennifer Alford of Philadelphia, Philadelphia/Neshoba County Arts Council; Donna Tucker of Carthage, Ruth Carr-Vincent Award for Academic Excellence in Non-Traditional Education; Ashley McDill of Decatur, Kappa Kappa Iota; Craig McRae of Carthage, Margaret Mosal Award for Leadership; and Brandi Duncan of Philadelphia, Delta Kappa Gamma. (EC Photo)

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Blackburn attends PBL Conf.

Richard Blackburn

Richard Blackburn, a lifelong resident of the Newton area, recently had the opportunity to represent Mississippi at the Phi Beta Lambda National Leadership Conference in Chicago, Illinois. The week long event was attended by Richard as well as 82 other students and advisors from Mississippi, and more than 1,000 students across the nation.

Richard represented Phi Beta Lambda (a college business organization) as Mississippi's State secretary. this is a position that he was elected to earlier this year at the State Leadership Conference in Jackson. The week was filled with a variety of leadership workshops, competitive events, tours of Chicago, and a wonderful guest speaker. The election of the organizations' national officer team for the upcoming school year was also held.

Blackburn is a senior at the University of Southern Mississippi majoring in Business Technology Education. Before transferring to USM, Blackburn earned an Associates of Arts at East Central Community College and was a 1996 graduate of Newton County Academy.

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Participate in EC workshop

Participants of the annual Human Resource Managers Workshop held recently at East Central Community College in Decatur included (seated from left) Merita Cherry and Shelia Ware, both of Laird Hospital; Chris Clark, La-Z-Boy South; Dale Wood, ESCO Corporation; and Sherry Griffin and Donny Bain, both of Apache Products; and (standing from left) Ken Walker and Dan Risher, both of Choctaw Maid Farms, Inc.; Ann Myers and Nancy Eichelberger, representing Mississippi Employment Service; Linda Robinson, Raytheon Systems; Marie Partridge and Virginia Cheatham, both of Weyerhauser; Sylvia Graves, American Greetings, and Dean Watkins, The Taylor Group. Among items of discussion during the annual workshop included the various services East Central Community College provides for area businesses and industries.

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Recognized for achievement

These employees of U.S. Electrical Motors in Philadelphia were recently recognized for having completed a self-improvement program, "Interpersonal Skills Enhancement Training for Key Personnel," which was conducted by the Skill/Tech One Stop Career Center at East Central Community College in Decatur. Approximately 55 company personnel completed the special course, which included 20 hours of training provided over a 10-week period. Seated from left are class participants Shelby Anthony and Jerry Barnes, both of Philadelphia; Levelle Cager of Union, and Dwight Carter, Jerry Clark and Dee Edwards, all of Philadelphia. Standing from left are ECCC training consultant Pete Lohrer of Decatur, class participants Marvin Gale of DeKalb, Billy Graham of Philadelphia, Wilson Hobson of Louisville, Thad Humphries of Walnut Grove, Mike Moore of Philadelphia, Fredrick Murray of Dekalb, Derrel Partridge of Philadelphia, Jimmy Reed of Nanih Waiya, Gerald Spears, Freddie Wilson and training coordinator Paul Thomas, all of Philadelphia.

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Complete ECCC training

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Earn GED diplomas

Pat Robertson of Lena (left) and Stella Taylor of Morton received their GED (General Education Development) diplomas during commencement exercises held at East Central Community College in Decatur. Robertson was also a featured speaker at the annual ceremony. (EC Photo

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Scholarships

Establish ECCC scholarship

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organizations / clubs

Neshoba County Fair Performers.....The Collegians of East Central Community College will again be featured performers during "ECCC Day" activities scheduled Monday, July 26, at the Neshoba County Fair. The talented musicians, who recently performed for a cruise line in the Bahamas, will entertain at 12:30 p.m. at the Founder's Square pavilion and again at 7 p.m. next to the grandstand prior to the Miss Neshoba County pageant. (EC Photo)

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ECCC Kids' College cheerleaders

These area youngsters learned to cheer, chant, and climb during the 12th-annual Kids' College sponsored by East Central Community College. Front row from left are Erin Hall, Ashley, Stokes, Alesha Wells, Carley Ellis, Katie Rushing, Sunda Floyd, Kayleigh McCool, and Emma Bone; (second row) Emily Humphries, Lauren Posey, Lindsey Chaney, Brittany White, Tori Spears, Brittany Germany; and (top row) Allyson Young, Alex Stewart, and Anna Claire Winstead. Vikki McNair served as instructor.

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Events

File photo/The Clarion-Ledger

Elizabeth Ayala (left) of Forest teaches counting in English and Spanish to children at Trinity Mission Center Day Care in Forest.

East Central vital to mission's success

The staff, volunteers and especially the students at Trinity Mission Center in Forest enjoyed reading your July 4 article "Americans in training."

It was an honor and a thrill for our students to see themselves pictured in *The Clarion-Ledger*. The Mission received many inquiries and gifts as a result of your excellent article. Thank you.

Please allow me, however, to mention one important fact that was not addressed in the article. East Central Community College in Decatur supplies our students with wonderful materials and offers our teachers priceless training throughout the year.

East Central and its outstanding staff have been invaluable resources, helping us here in Scott County to do the important work of teaching English and encouraging new U.S. citizens.

Our community colleges serve the residents of Mississippi well and deserve our heartfelt thanks and our support. The night class pictured in the article wishes to extend special thanks to Natalie Vance, basic skills specialist at East Central, for her friendship and unfailing support.

Ann Clements
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QUALLS ATTENDS ECCC ORIENTATION - Jammie Qualls (right) of Newton was among those attending orientation activities held Saturday, June 19, at Easts Central Community College in Decatur. Computer Technology instructor Thomas Fortenberry is shown assisting Qualls with his fall semester class schedule. In addition to registering for fall classes, students who attend orientation learn of the many academic, social and personal opportunities available at East Central. Additional sessions will be held Wednesday, July 21, and Saturday, August [illegible]. Fall day classes begin Monday, August 16. For more information contact the Dean of Students' Office, ECCC, Decatur, MS 39[illegible]. Ph. 635-2111, ext. 204.

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Graduation

RECEIVE GED DIPLOMAS - These area students received their GED (General Education Development) diplomas during commencement exercises held at East Central Community College in Decatur. Recipients include (front row, from left) Annie Murray of Decatur, Angela Lewis of Philadelphia, Patricia Williams of Newton, Timmie Talbert of Little Rock, Denise Hutchins of Decatur, Evelyn Lowell of Newton and Patricia Bang of Lake; and (back row from left) Rachel Michelle Evans of Union, Melody Dewitt of Little Rock, Helen Pickens of Lawrence, Jonathan Rowzee of Newton, Louise Killens of Union and Anna Renfrow of Newton. (EC Photo)

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WEEK OF 7-5-99

EC has record enrollment for first summer term

A record 638 students enrolled in the first term of summer classes offered at East Central Community College in Decatur, announced Raymond McMullan, Director of Admissions, Records and Research.

East Central offers summer classes on the Decatur campus and at various locations throughout the College's district, which includes Leake, Neshoba, Newton, Scott and Winston counties.

Registration for the second four-week term on the Decatur campus will be held at 9 a.m. Tuesday, July 6 in Newton Hall, Room 60. Classes begin Wednesday, July 7.

Registration for the second four-week terms at the Louisville/Winston County Vo-Tech Center and Philadelphia/Neshoba County Vo-Tech Center will also be held on Tuesday, July 6. In Louisville, registration begins at 9 a.m., with sign-up for classes in Philadelphia scheduled at 6:30 p.m. Classes begin the following day.

For more information contact the Office of Adult and Continuing Education, East Central Community College, P. 0. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, Ph 635-2111, exts. 278 or 279, or call toll free, 1-877-462-3222, exts. 278 or 279.

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WEEK OF 7/5/99

Participate in ECCC honors orientation

East Central Community College head baseball coach Jamie Clark is shown assisting Neshoba Central High School graduates, from left, Jessica Johnson, Laney Ryals and Bridgett Sanford with their fall semester class schedules during Honors Orientation activities held Thursday, June 10, on the Decatur campus. In addition to registering for fall classes, students who attend orientation learn of the many academic, social and personal opportunities available at East Central. Additional sessions will be held Thursday, July 8; Wednesday, July 21; and Saturday, Aug. 7. Fall day classes begin Monday, August 16. For more information contact the Dean of Students' Office, ECCC, Decatur, MS 39327, Ph. 635-2111, ext. 204, or toll free 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222).

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WEEK OF July 5, 1999

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WEEK OF July 14, 1999

Awards

HOSA students receive honors

These East Central Community College surgical technology students received honors at the annual state HOSA (Health Occupation Students of America) competition. Students receiving first, second and third place honors and those placing in the National Healthcare Issues Exam advanced to the national competition held in Nashville, Tennessee. Pictured are (seated, from left) Stacey Mills of Union, who finished in the Top 28 on the National Healthcare Issues Exam; Stacie Hall of Forest, fourth place, surgical technology; Nicky Strait of Lake, third, surgical technology; Micahel Roland of Decatur, second, surgical technology and second, job seeking skills; and Tracy Kilpatrick of Union, first, surgical technology and finished in the Top 28 on the National Healthcare Issues Exam. Janice Jacobs serves as instructor.

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Receive ECCC alumni memorial awards

These East Central Community College students received Alumni Memorial Awards at the College's annual Awards Day program held recently on the Decatur campus. Honorees include (seated, from left) Brock Lillis of Philadelphia, Billy Wayne Baucum Secondary Education and Andrew F. Webb Football; Crystal Gee of Carthage, Opal McMullan Dickinson Elementary Education; Robert Evans of Brandon, W.A. Coursey, Jr., Engineering; Cody Fisher of Conehatta, Danny R. Killens Engineering; Joan Mulford of Union, Sara Carr Deaton Business Technology; and Neil Hansford of Decatur, Jack B. Mayo Phi Theta Kappa; and (standing, from left) Veronica Haynes of Louisville, Leon Eubanks Kaljc-Peers; Lori Darsey, Sue Yarbrough Fulgham Speech; Jonathan Mills, William S. Giffin Men's Intramural, and Ray Waddell, Howard Sessums Men's Basketball, both of Philadelphia; Quintina Edwards of Whistler, Alabama, Earline Wood Women's Basketball; and Jennifer Pace, Alatha Chaney English. Not pictured is Brad Creel of Meridian, Dr. Edwin Miller Medical Services.

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ECCC vocational award recipients

These East Central Community College students received vocational honors at the College's annual Awards Day program held on the Decatur campus. Honorees include (from left) Eric Rush, cabinetmaking, and Rody Willis, carpentry, both of Philadelphia; Regina Buckley of Little Rock and Viola Dade of Hickory, cosmetology; Aaron Dale Burkeen of Philadelphia, welding and cutting; and Tracy Warren of Conehatta, licensed practical nursing and "Vocational Student of the Year."

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Collegians perform national tour

The Collegians, East Central Community College's pop/rock vocal and instrumental group, performed their tenth national tour this summer when they climbed aboard Premier Cruise Line's "Big Red Boat". The popular ensemble performed several concerts on the cruise ship as well as in Nassau and Port Lucaya, Bahamas. Members of the group include (front row, from left) Ryan Woodard, Louisville; Ashley Byram, Sebastopol; Rebecca Fulton, Philadelphia; Nicki Peden, Louisville; and Craig McRae, Carthage; (second row, from left) Jason Gaines, Decatur; Chas Evans, Chunky; Brandi Duncan, Philadelphia; Gabriel Velasco, West Point; Tori Jordan, Decatur; Nathan Shaw, Philadelphia; Jason Wallace, Louisville; and Susan Staton, Union; and (back row, from left) Robert Savell, Lake; Jeff Denson, Morton; Mark Eakes and Matt Eakes, both of Philadelphia; Jay Smith, Decatur; and Dusti Comans, Sebastopol. Thomas W. Carson serves as director. (EC Photo)

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County students attend EC orientation

Numerous students from Scott County attended Orientation activities held June 19 at East Central Community College in Decatur.

During orientation, students advance register for fall classes and learn of a wide variety of academic, social and personal opportunities available on the Decatur campus.

Participants included William Black, Clint Burkes, Rebecca Burkes, Tia Fletcher, Erica Foreman, Jonathan Harrell, Victoria Hayes, Nathan Johnson, Jamie Jones, Ashley Keys, Otha Lay, Stephanie Lindsey, Meosha Loper, Jason Moore, Tina Pace, Tina Patel, Willian Perkins, Pamela Perkins, Tonya Pickens, Josh Tillman, Corey Turner, Dacia Wash, Frazier Wash and Jessica Weeks, all of Forest; Curtis Bradford of Harperville; Jason Bradshaw of Hillsboro; Miranda Davis, Latonya Gray, April Harris, Thomas Laird, Treshia Lee, Jessica Monk and Lora Warren, all of Lake; Lamarrio Mapp of Ludlow; Jessica Bradshaw, Ashli Craig, Peggie Denson, Amber Gibson, Samantha Goss, George McMillian, Tammy Munn and Lacey Stokely, all of Morton; and Jennifer Moss and Leslie Risher, both of Pulaski.

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Attend orientation

East Central Community College physical education/education instructor Lucille Wood is shown assisting Morton High School graduate McKenzie Mack (center) and Louisville High School graduate Justin Reed with their fall semester class schedule during Honors Orientation activities held Thursday, June 10, on the Decatur campus. In addition to registering for fall classes, students who attend orientation learn of the many academic, social and personal opportunities available at East Central. Additional sessions will be held Wednesday, July 21, and Saturday, August 7. Fall day classes begin Monday, August 16. For more information contact the Dean of Students' Office, ECCC, Decatur, MS 39327, Ph. 635-2111, ext. 204, or call toll free 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222).

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Anthony attends orientation at EC

Kristy Anthony (left) of Sebastopol was among those attending orientation activities held Saturday, June 19 at East Central Community College in Decatur. Business Technology instructor Ann Bullock is shown assisting Anthony with her fall semester class schedule. In addition to registering for fall classes, students who attend orientation learn of the many academic, social, and personal opportunities available at East Central. Additional sessions will be held Thursday, July 8; Wednesday, July 21; and Saturday, August 7. Fall day classes begin Monday, August 16. For more information contact the Dean of Students' Office, ECCC, Decatur, MS 39327, Ph. 635-2111, ext. 204, or toll free 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222). (EC Photo)

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Attend orientation at ECCC

Lois McMullan, Chairman of the Mathematics Division and math instructor at East Central Community College is shown assisting Sebastopol High School graduates Wayne Wilson (center) and Holly Davidson with their fall semester class schedules during Honors Orientation activities held Thursday, June 10, on the Decatur campus. In addition to registering for fall classes, students who attend orientation learn of the many academic, social and personal opportunities available at East Central. Additional sessions will be held Thursday, July 8; Wednesday, July 21; and Saturday, August 7. Fall day classes begin Monday, August 16. For more information contact the Dean of Students' Office, ECCC, Decatur, MS 39327, Ph. 635-2111.

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Jim attends orientation

Tony Jim (right) of Carthage was among those attending orientation activities held June 19 at East Central Community College in Decatur. Business Technology instructor Elizabeth Breland is shown assisting Jim with his fall semester class schedule.

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Attend ECCC orientation

East Central Community College Warrior Corps member Tesa Henry of Forest is shown assisting Russ Owen (center) of Philadelphia and Nathan Johnson of Forest during orientation activites held Saturday, June 19, on the Decatur campus. During orientation, students advance register for fall classes and learn of the many academic, social and personal opportunities available at East Central. Additional sessions will be held Wednesday, July 21; and Saturday, Aug. 7. Fall day classes begin Monday, Aug. 16. For more information contact the Dean of Students' Office, ECCC, Decatur MS 39327, Ph. 635-2111, ext. 204, or toll free 1-877-GO-2-ECCC (1-877-462-3222).

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Orientation/enrollment

PARTICIPATE IN ECCC ORIENTATION - East Central Community College Gerontology Technology instructor Mary Boulton (left) is shown assisting Myrtis Johnson (center) of Newton and Betty Russell of Union with their fall semester class schedules during orientation activities held Saturday, June 19, on the Decatur campus. In addition to registering for fall classes, students who attend orientation learn of the many academic, social and personal opportunities available at East Central. Additional sessions will be held Wednesday, July 21, and Saturday, August 7. Fall day classes begin Monday, August 16. For more information contact Dean of Students' office, ECCC, Decatur, 39327. Ph. 635-2111, ext 204.

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RECEIVES MOSAL SCHOLARSHIP - Craig McRae (right) of Carthage was recently presented the Dr. Margaret Mosal Memorial Scholarship for Leadership to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. The outstanding student is shown receiving the award from retired ECCC Mathematics Division Chairman Dr. Shelby Harris who provided funding to help establish the annual award. Dr. Mosal, now deceased, resided in Canton and served 50 years as executive director of Phi theta Kappa, the international honor society of the two-year colleges. Dr. Harris, who is the former co-sponsor of East Central's Theta Xi chapter of Phi Theta Kappa with Mrs. Ann Burkes, earlier received a Mosal Leadership Award stipend from the international organization. The presentation was made at the College's annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon held on the Decatur campus.

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RECEIVES BOGGAN SCHOLARSHIP - Wendy Huff, a 1999 graduate of Morton High School, is the recipient of the Dr. Austin P. Boggan Scholarship to attend East Central Community College in Decatur. The outstanding student is shown receiving the award from ECCC Dean of Students Randall E. Lee. Also pictured is the recipient's mother, Sarah Huff. The presentation was made at the College's annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon held on the EC campus.

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WEEK OF 4-19-99

ECCC TENNIS TEAM

These are members of the Lady Warrior and Warrior tennis teams at East Central Community College in Decatur. Pictured are (first row, from left) Huellen Nutt and Heather Warren, both of Morton; Haley Chance and Courtney Cooper, both of Forest; and Lisa Chesney and Kristi French, both of Union; and (back row, from left) Matt Stovall, Neshoba Central; Jonathan Mills and Dan Tingle, both of Philadelphia; Tim Cager, Union; Ray Waddell, Philadelphia; Uwe Dotzauer, Landau, Germany; Kevin Carter, Union; and Tracy Goodin, Noxapater. Jay Bowen serves as coach. (EC photo)

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WEEK OF 4-26-99

Lady Warriors fifth in state tennis inv.

East Central Community College's women's tennis team placed fifth in the Mississippi Association of Community and Junior College's State/Region 23 Tennis Tournament held in Tupelo.

The Lady Warriors totaled five points in the annual Competition, which was won by Copiah-Lincoln with 28 points.

Second place was Hinds with 26 points, third was Itawamba, 22; Jones was fourth, 15; EC was fifth.

East Central's highest seeded players were Haley Chance and Lisa Chesney, who ranked fourth in their respective singles divisions and were also the fourth seeded doubles team.

Other members of the Lady Warriors squad included Huellen Nutt, Heather Warren, Krisi French and Courtney Cooper. The Lady Warriors were coached by Jay Bowen.

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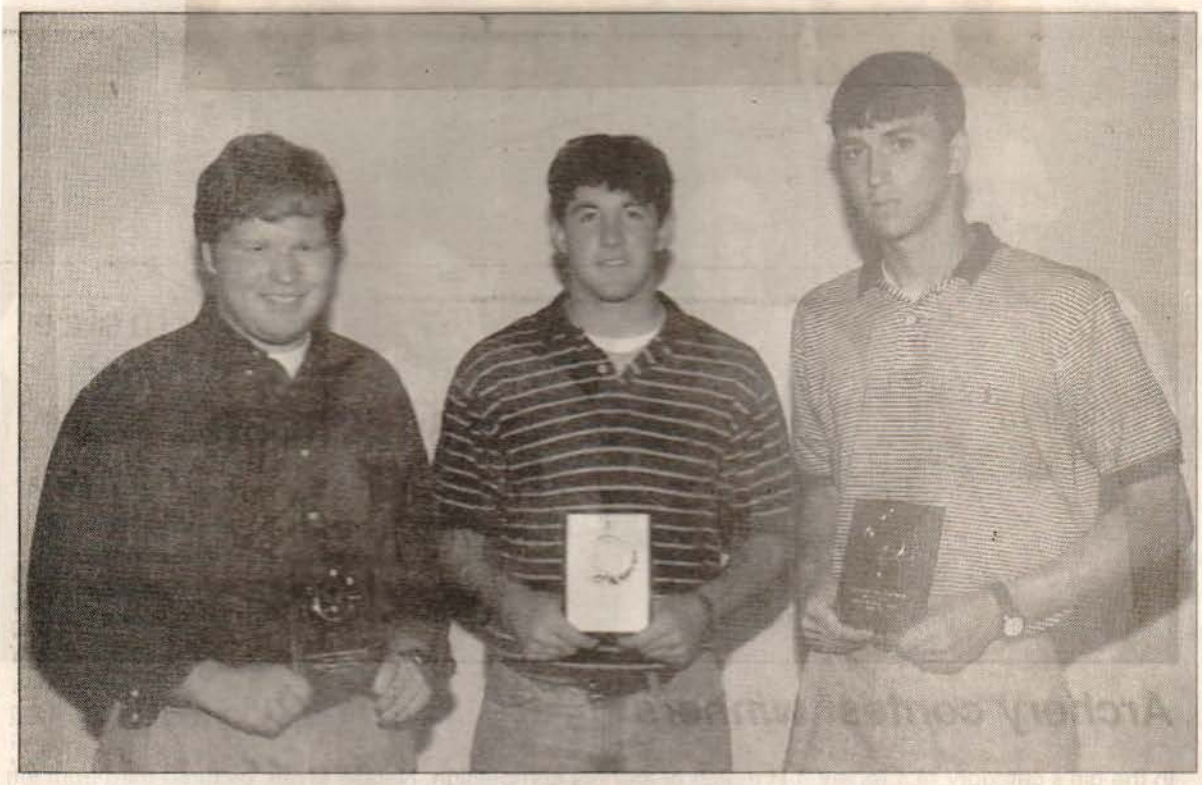
WEEK OF May 31, 1999



Members of the East Central Community College men's tennis team who received awards following the 1999 season are, from left, Dan Tingle (Most Improved) and Ray Waddell (Warrior Award), both from Philadelphia, and Matt Stovall (Most Valuable Player) from Neshoba Central.

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WEEK OF June 7, 1999

Members of the East Central Community College women's tennis teams who received honors at the annual spring sports award cookout are, from left, Kristi French (most improved) and Lisa Chesney (Lady Warrior Award), both from Union, and Haley Chance (Most Valuable Player) from Forest.

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WEEK OF 9-13-99

ECCC TO HOST TENNIS TOURNEY: Alumni and current students of East Central Community College are invited to participate in the Homecoming Tennis Tournament Oct. 11-14. The tournament will include men's and women's divisions. There is no entry fee. For more information, contact **Mike Anderson** at 601-635-2111, ext. 301 or 310 or 1-877-GO-2-ECCC.

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WEEK OF 9-20-99

Alumni of EC have tennis match set

Alumni and current students of East central Community College in Decatur are encouraged to participate in the college's homecoming tennis tournament scheduled October 11-14, 1999.

Tournament chairman Mike Anderson said the competition includes men's and women's divisions. There is no entry fee to compete in the week-long event, but each participant is required to furnish a can of tennis balls. The deadline to enter this year's tournament is set for noon Wednesday October 6.

Winners will be presented trophies at the alumni awards luncheon held as part of homecoming activities scheduled Saturday, October 16.

For more information contact Coach Mike Anderson, East Central Community College, P. O. Box 129, Decatur, Miss. 39327, phone 635-2111, exts 301 or 310, or call toll free 1-877-462-3222.

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